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THE RACE IS
ON TO SAVE
MEGA MAN IN...

MEGA MAN

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IN THE YEAR 20XX, A SUPER ROBOT NAMED MEGA MAN HAS PLEDGED TO STOP THE EVIL DESIRES OF DR. WILY AND PROTECT THE WORLD. MEGA MAN NOW FIGHTS ALONGSIDE HIS FELLOW ROBOT MASTERS TO DEFEAT THE FORCES OF EVIL!

MEGA MAN™



PREVIOUSLY...

Mega Man's in trouble!

When the sinister alien Ra Moon first came to Earth thousands of years ago, it briefly interacted with early humanity before going dormant. But when humanity had

reached a sufficient technological level, Ra Moon rose from his hibernation and enacted a plan to erase all life from the planet.

Mega Man leapt into action and confronted Ra Moon. In the end, humanity was saved and Ra Moon destroyed.

But victory was not without sacrifice. The overload of energy used to destroy the evil

alien menace critically damaged Mega Man as well. On the verge of death, our hero's life now lies in the hands of Dr. Light and Dr. Wily...



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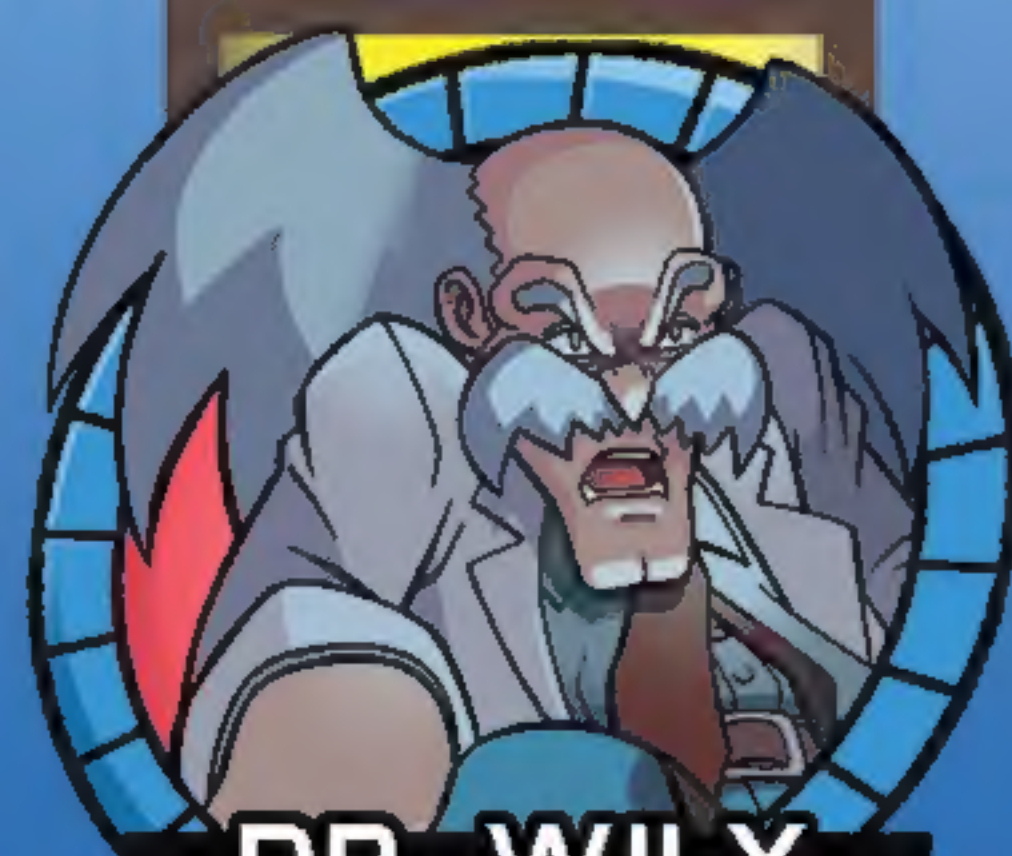
MEGA MAN
HERO OF LIGHT LABS,
CRITICALLY DAMAGED



ROLL
HELPER BOT,
MEGA MAN'S SISTER



DR. LIGHT
CREATOR OF MEGA MAN
& ROLL, FATHER OF
MODERN ROBOTICS



DR. WILY
MAD SCIENTIST,
DR. LIGHT'S RIVAL

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MEMORY RESTORATION
IN PROGRESS...

ВАЖНО!



CRITICAL SYSTEM
DAMAGE.

EDITOR'S NOTE:
COMPLETE THE
MEMORY RESTO-
RATION PROCESS
YOURSELF BY
READING MM #29-
32! THE ENTIRE
"BLACKOUT: THE
CURSE OF RA
MOON" STORY
ARC IS AVAILABLE
NOW!



TOTAL SYSTEM
FAILURE IMMINENT.

LIGHT LABS...

I NEED
A SYSTEM
ANALYZER!

RIGHT
HERE!

HE NEEDS POWER!
STOP STANDING
THERE AND GET
ME AN E-TANK!

DOCTOR
ALBERT W. WILY
(EVIL?) ROBOTICS
GENIUS

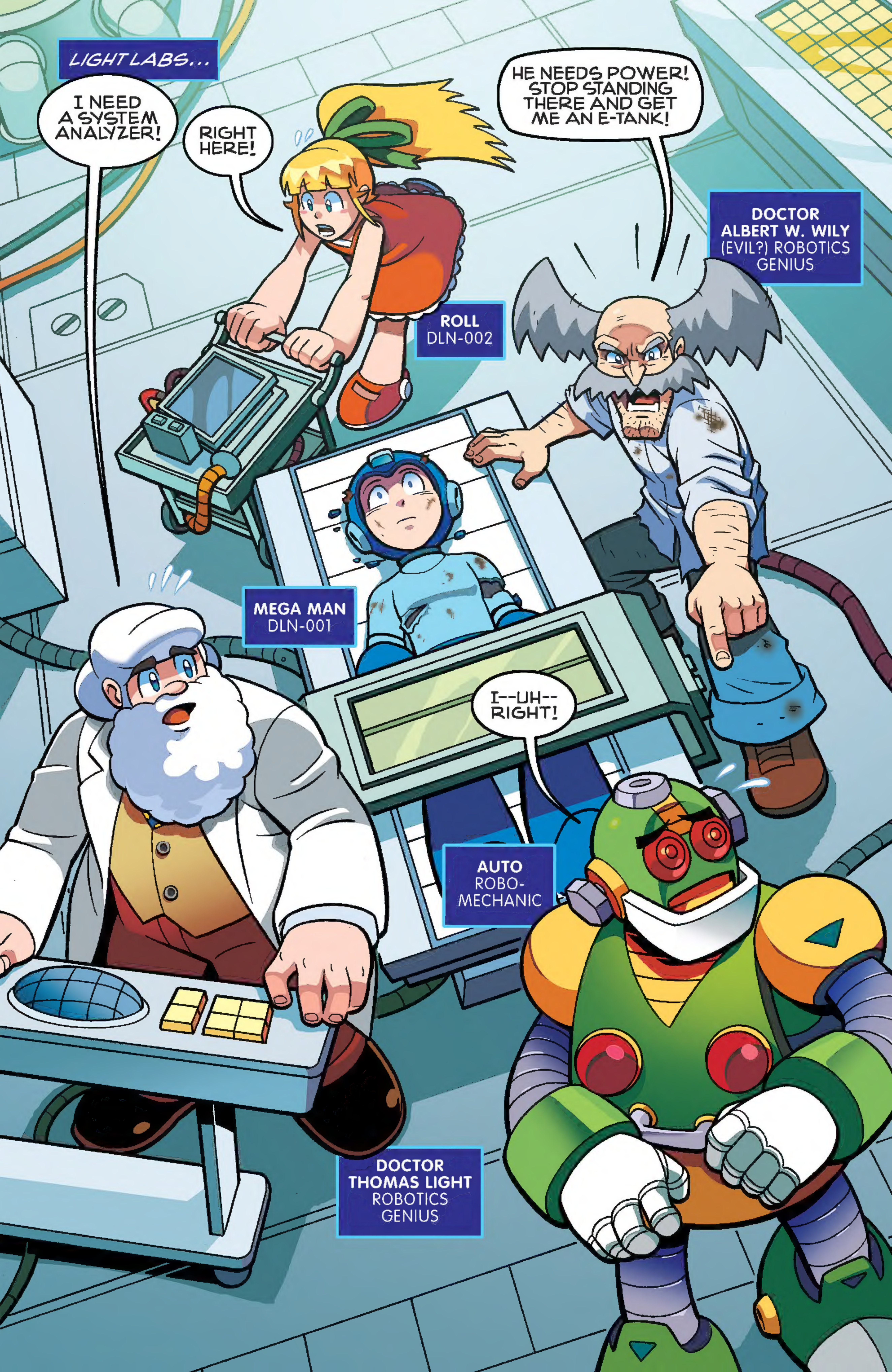
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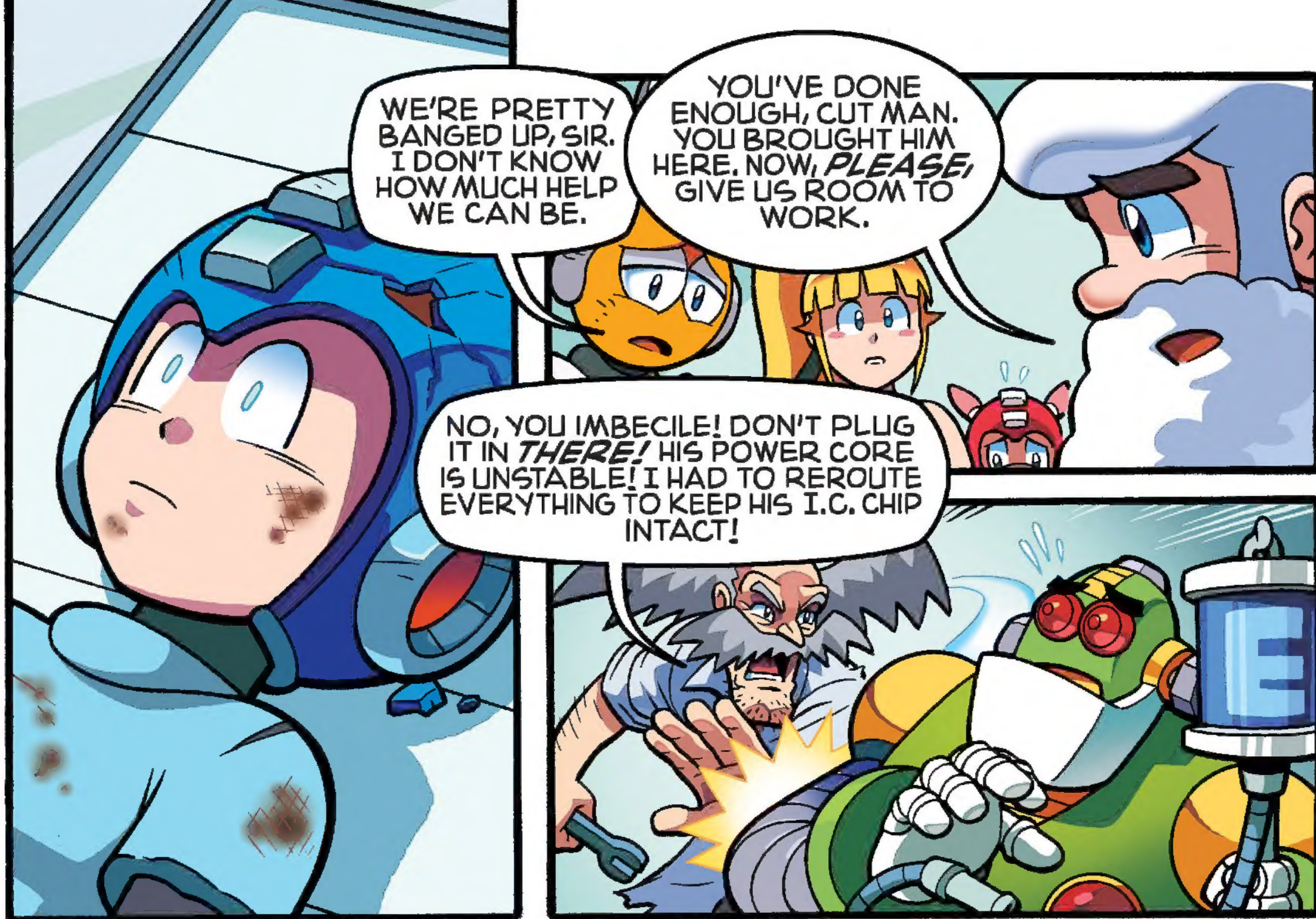
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I--UH--
RIGHT!

AUTO
ROBO-
MECHANIC

DOCTOR
THOMAS LIGHT
ROBOTICS
GENIUS

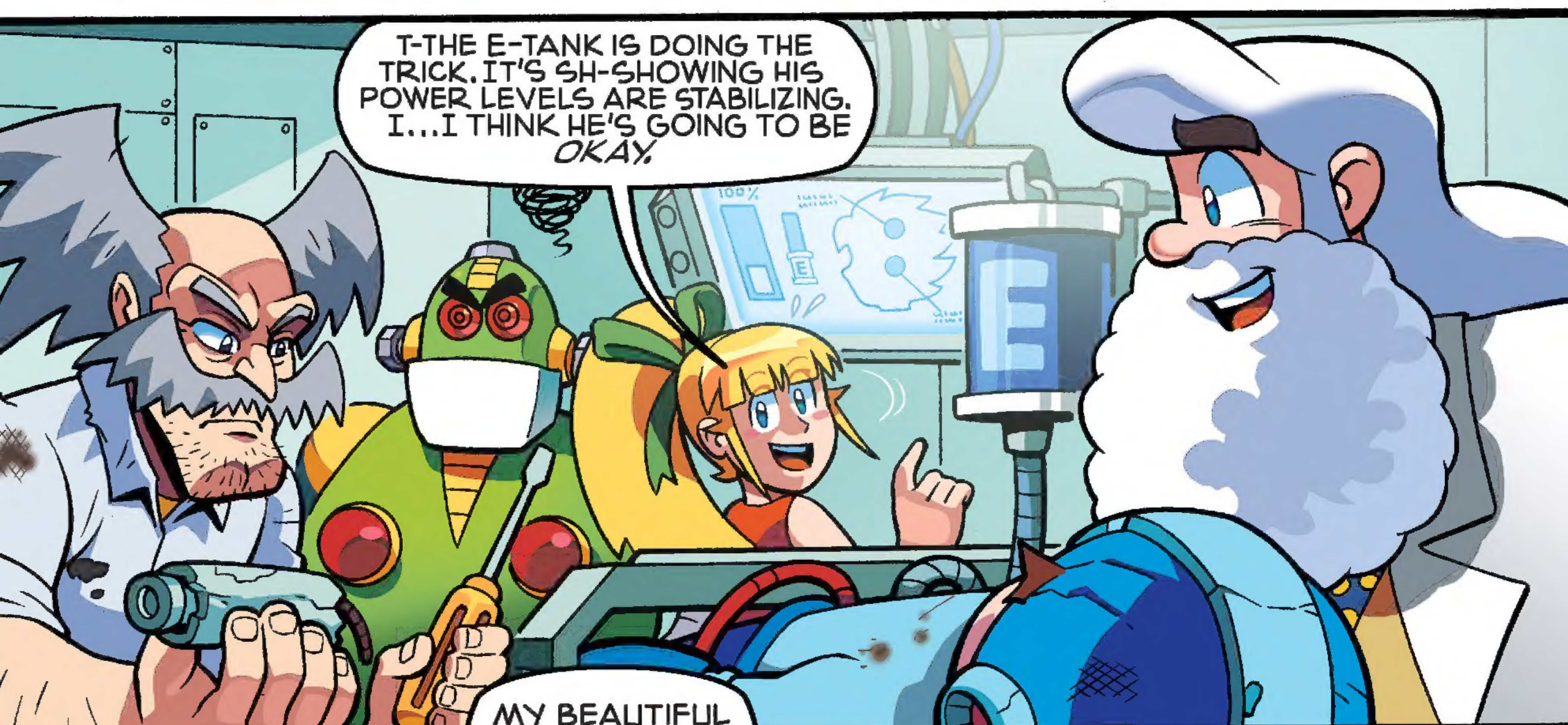




WE'RE PRETTY BANGED UP, SIR. I DON'T KNOW HOW MUCH HELP WE CAN BE.

YOU'VE DONE ENOUGH, CUT MAN. YOU BROUGHT HIM HERE. NOW, *PLEASE*, GIVE US ROOM TO WORK.

NO, YOU IMBECILE! DON'T PLUG IT IN *THERE!* HIS POWER CORE IS UNSTABLE! I HAD TO REROUTE EVERYTHING TO KEEP HIS I.C. CHIP INTACT!



T-THE E-TANK IS DOING THE TRICK. IT'S SH-SHOWING HIS POWER LEVELS ARE STABILIZING. I...I THINK HE'S GOING TO BE *OKAY*.

MY BEAUTIFUL BOY... YOU'RE SO STRONG... YOU'LL... YOU'LL MAKE IT...

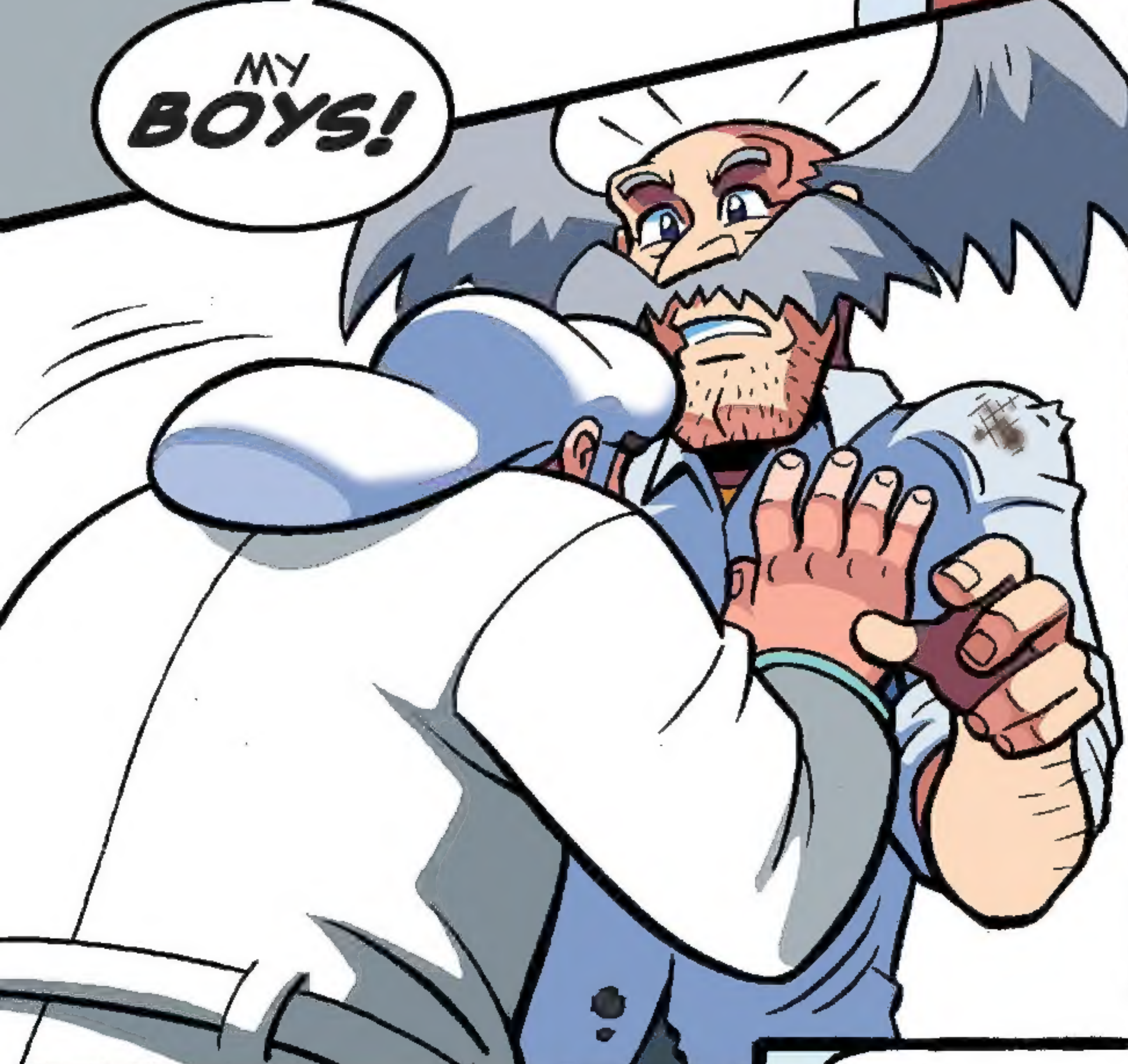


PFFT, TYPICAL. GIVE *HIM* ALL THE CREDIT. *I'M* THE ONE WHO SAVED BOTH YOUR BOYS...



WHAT IS YOUR HAND IN THIS? WHAT HAPPENED TO THE WORLD?

WHAT HAPPENED TO MY BOY?



MY BOYS!



ALBERT ...PLEASE... DID YOU FIND BLUES?



MORE LIKE HE FOUND ME--AT THE EDGE OF THE LANFRONT RUINS.

I REPAIRED HIM, REPLACED HIS BROKEN CORE, AND THEN...

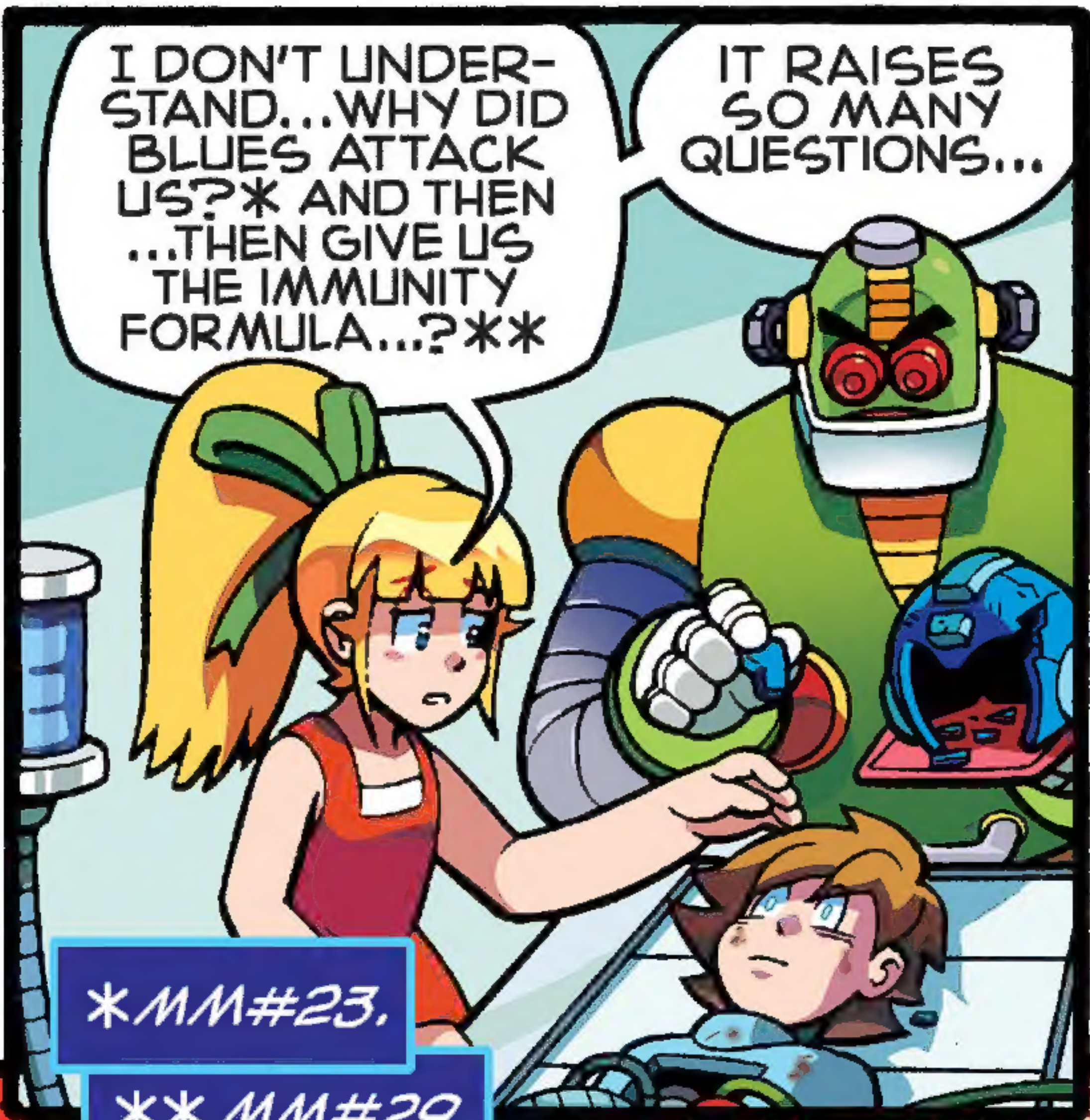


→ AHEM ← AND THEN HE RAN FROM ME.*

I'M SORRY, THOMAS, BUT HE WAS JUST SO ANGRY...

REPLACED HIS CORE? I--I SUPPOSE, AFTER ALL THIS TIME, THAT'D MAKE THE MOST SENSE...

*THAT'S ALMOST RIGHT--SEE MM#18.

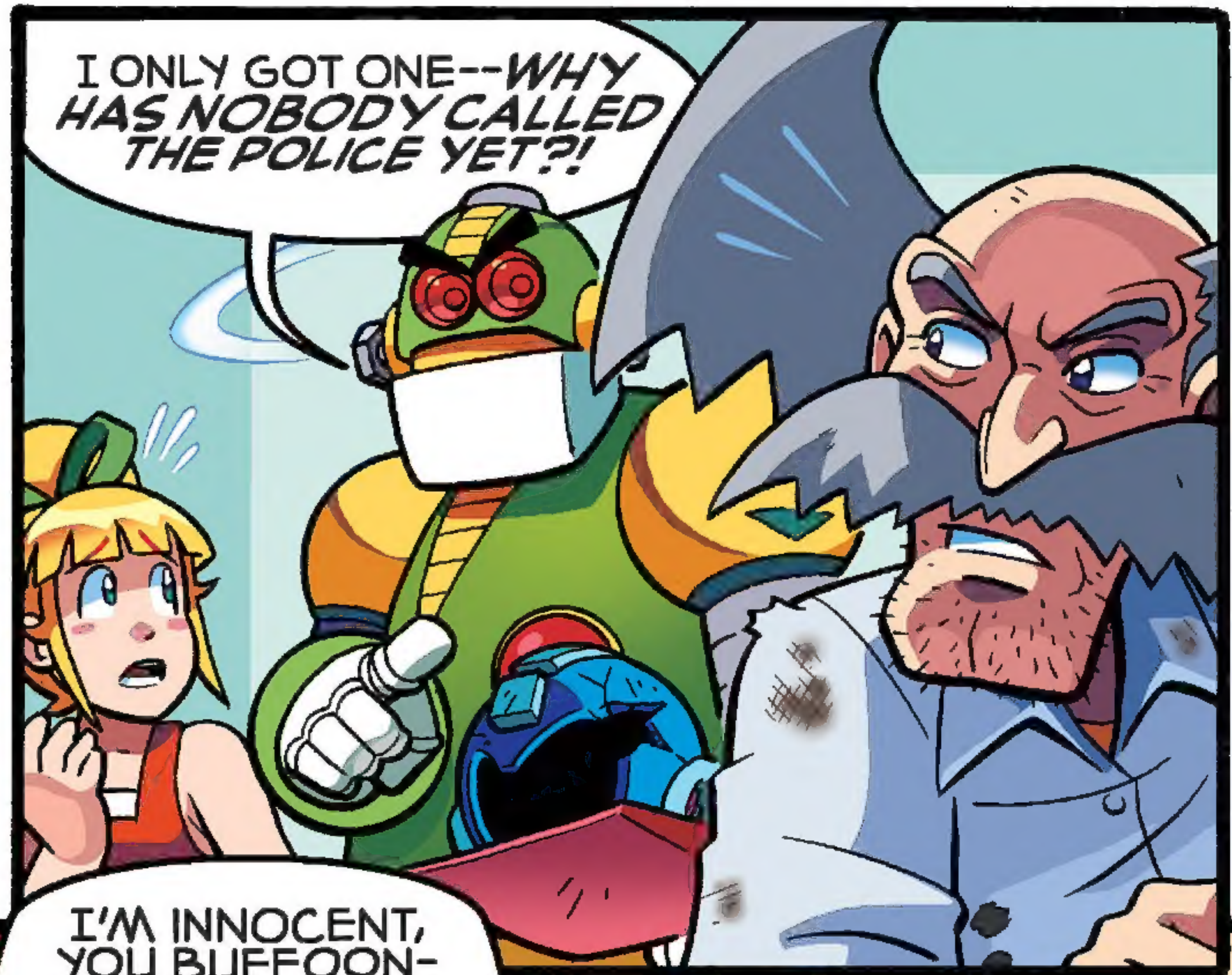


I DON'T UNDERSTAND... WHY DID BLUES ATTACK US? * AND THEN ... THEN GIVE US THE IMMUNITY FORMULA...? **

IT RAISES SO MANY QUESTIONS...

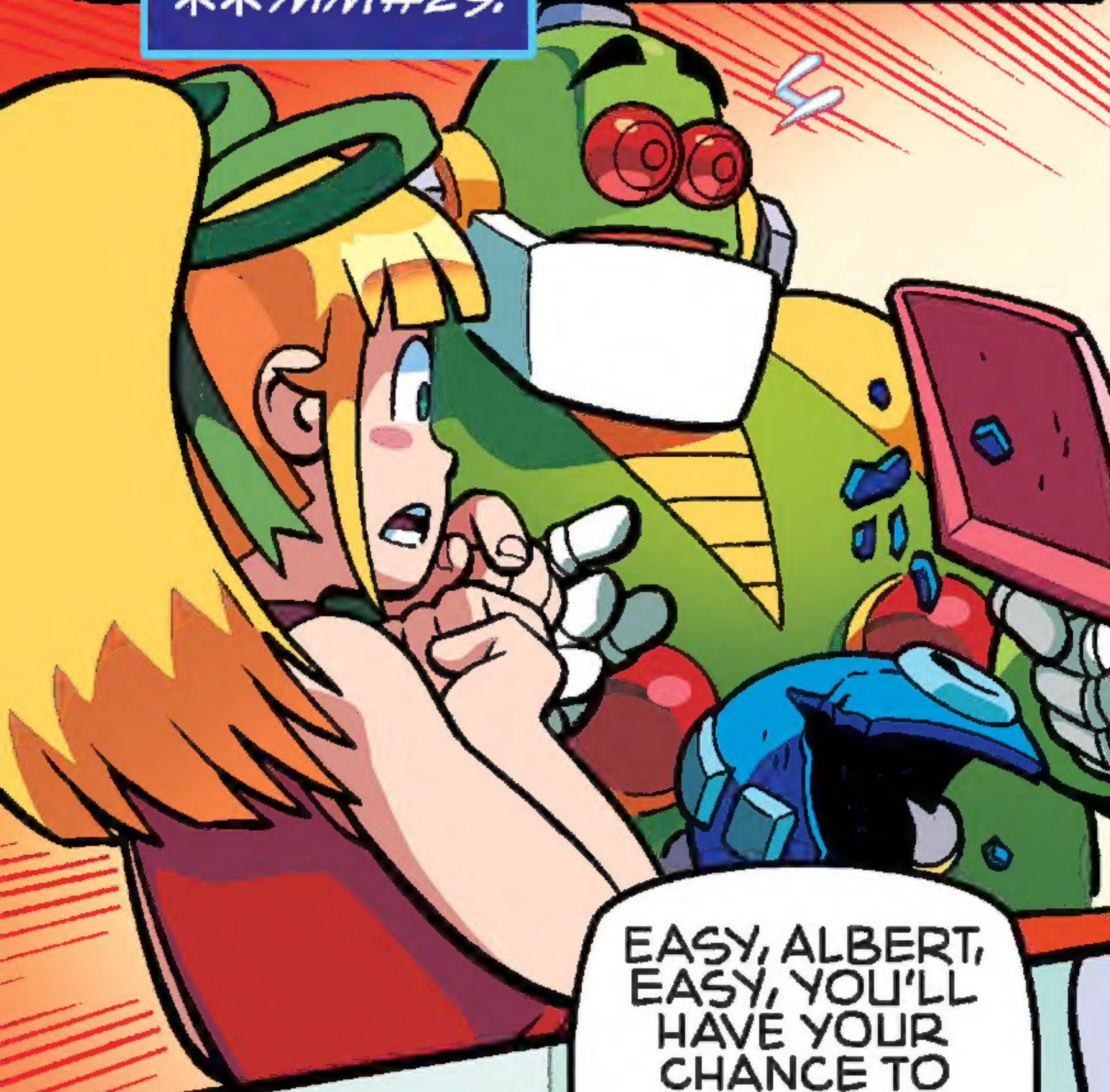
*MM#23.

**MM#29.



I ONLY GOT ONE-- WHY HAS NOBODY CALLED THE POLICE YET?!

I'M INNOCENT, YOU BUFFOON-BOT! I WAS CONTROLLED BY RAMOON! MEGA MAN SAVED ME, AND THEN I SAVED HIM!



THAT'S WHY!



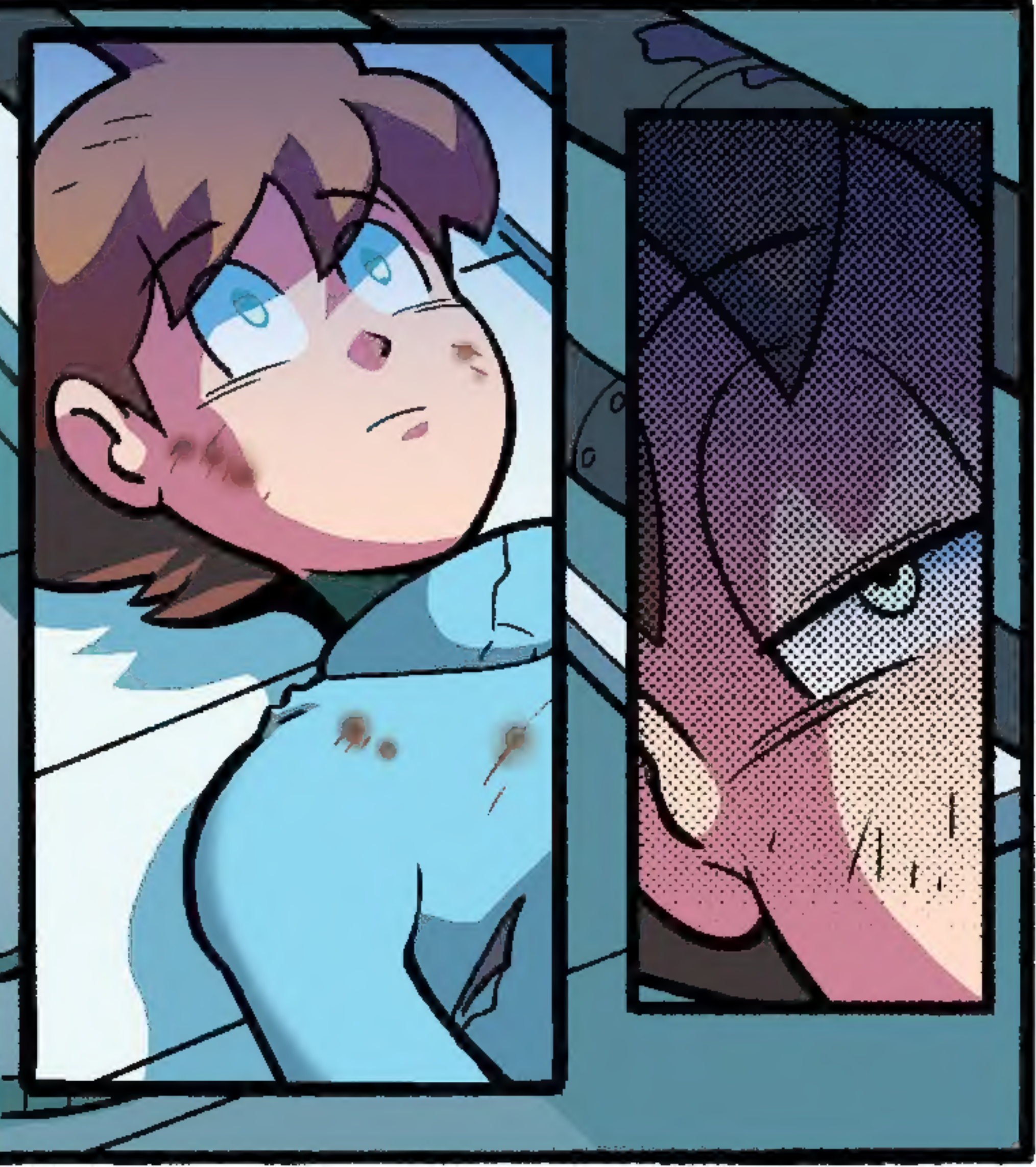
EASY, ALBERT, EASY, YOU'LL HAVE YOUR CHANCE TO TELL YOUR SIDE OF THE STORY.

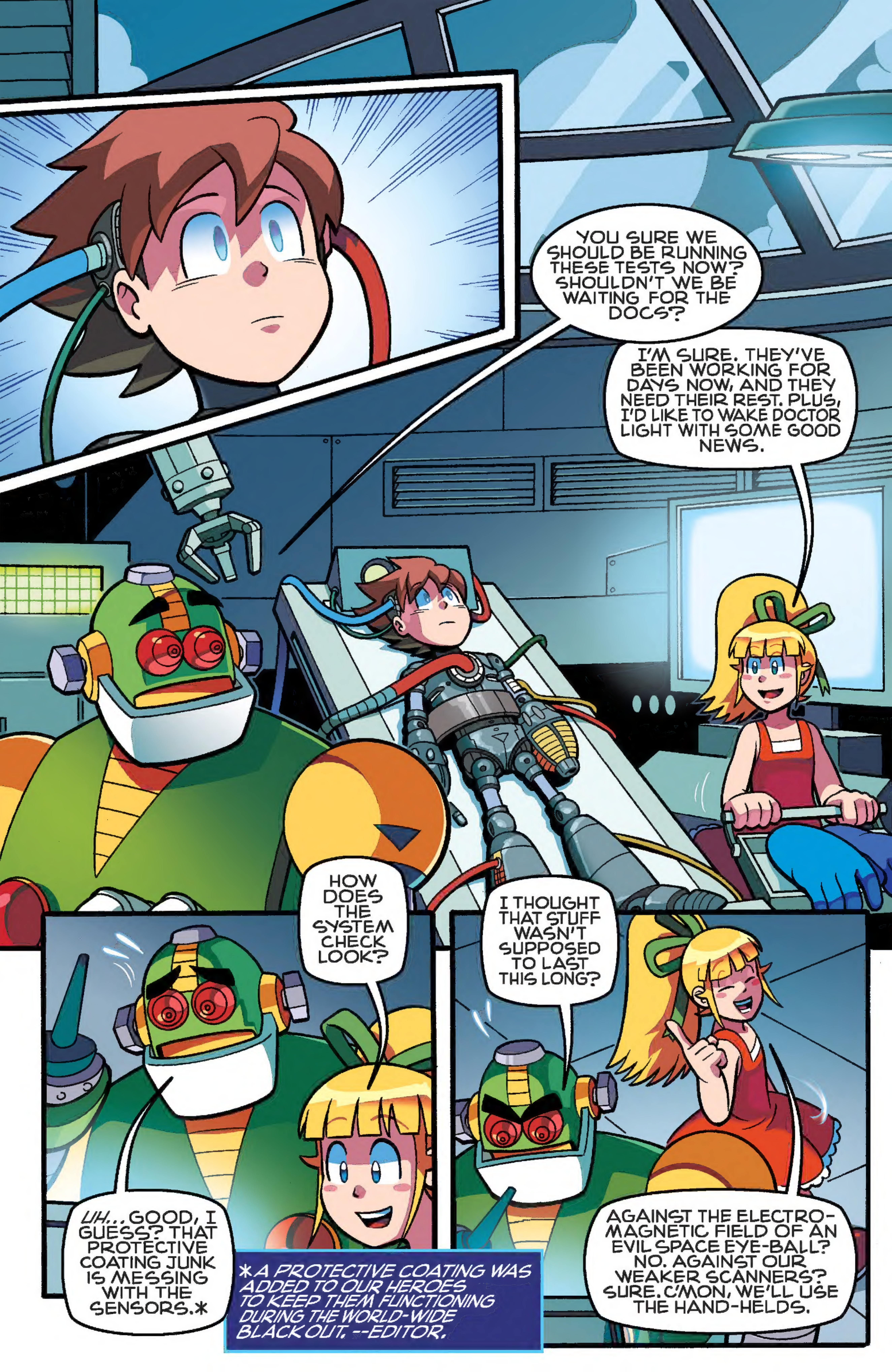
FOR NOW, IT LOOKS LIKE YOU COULD USE A SHOWER AND A SHAVE.



LET US SHUT ROCK DOWN FOR NOW SO WE CAN DO MORE INTENSIVE REPAIRS. WE NEED TO TEND TO CUT MAN, BOMB MAN, AND GUTS MAN AS WELL.

O-O-KAY, SLEEP WELL, ROCK. WE'LL HAVE YOU FIXED SOON.





YOU SURE WE SHOULD BE RUNNING THESE TESTS NOW? SHOULDN'T WE BE WAITING FOR THE DOCS?

I'M SURE. THEY'VE BEEN WORKING FOR DAYS NOW, AND THEY NEED THEIR REST. PLUS, I'D LIKE TO WAKE DOCTOR LIGHT WITH SOME GOOD NEWS.

HOW DOES THE SYSTEM CHECK LOOK?

I THOUGHT THAT STUFF WASN'T SUPPOSED TO LAST THIS LONG?

UH... GOOD, I GUESS? THAT PROTECTIVE COATING JUNK IS MESSING WITH THE SENSORS.*

**A PROTECTIVE COATING WAS ADDED TO OUR HEROES TO KEEP THEM FUNCTIONING DURING THE WORLD-WIDE BLACK OUT. --EDITOR.*

AGAINST THE ELECTRO-MAGNETIC FIELD OF AN EVIL SPACE EYE-BALL? NO. AGAINST OUR WEAKER SCANNERS? SURE. C'MON, WE'LL USE THE HAND-HELDS.

SPEAKIN' OF THAT--DO YOU BUY DR. WILY'S STORY? ABOUT HOW HE'D BEEN BRAIN-WASHED ALL THIS TIME?

I...I DON'T KNOW.

A LOT OF THIS STORY SYNC'S WITH WHAT DOCTOR ASTIL SAID. PLUS...CUT MAN, BOMB MAN, AND GUTS MAN VOUCHED FOR HIM.

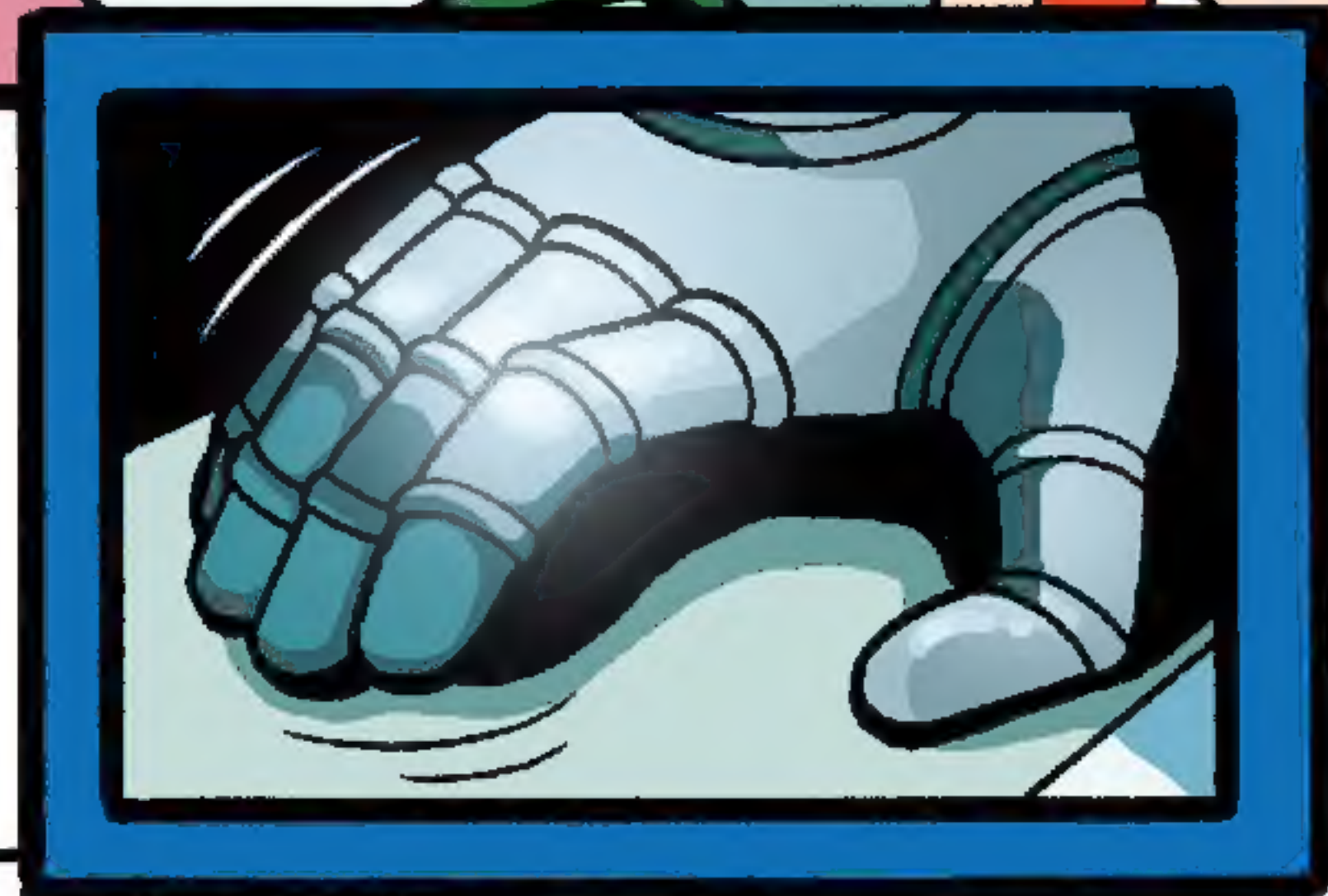
YEAH, BUT HE'S MESS'D WITH THEIR CIRCUITS BEFORE.*

...SOMETIMES I WISH I'D BEEN THE ONE TO VOLUNTEER, THE ONE DR. LIGHT WEAPONIZED INSTEAD OF...

AND DR. LIGHT PUT SAFEGUARDS IN AGAINST THAT, PLUS...HE DID MAKE THE EFFORT TO KEEP ROCK'S SYSTEMS STABLE AND BRING HIM ALL THE WAY HOME...

GIVE *ME* THE BUSTER, THE COPY CHIP, AND THE BURDEN.

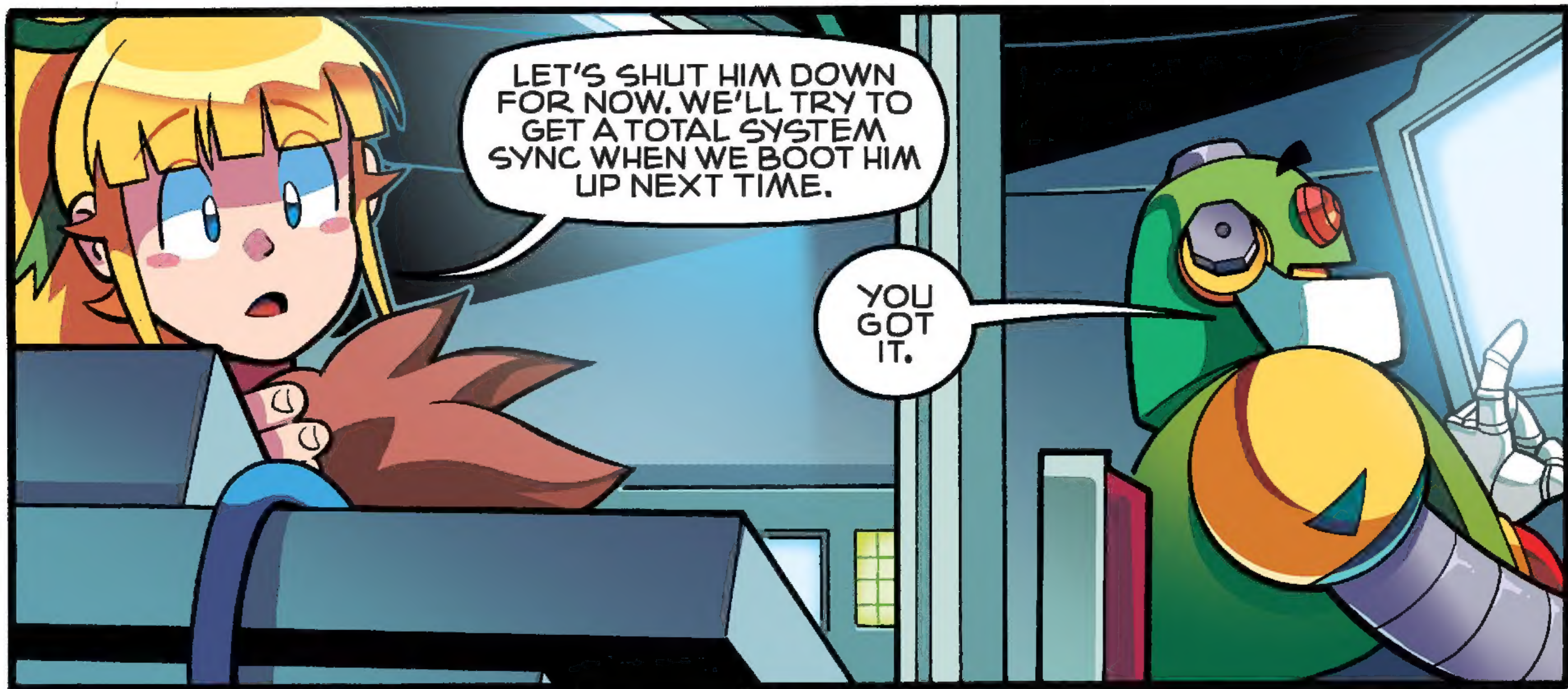
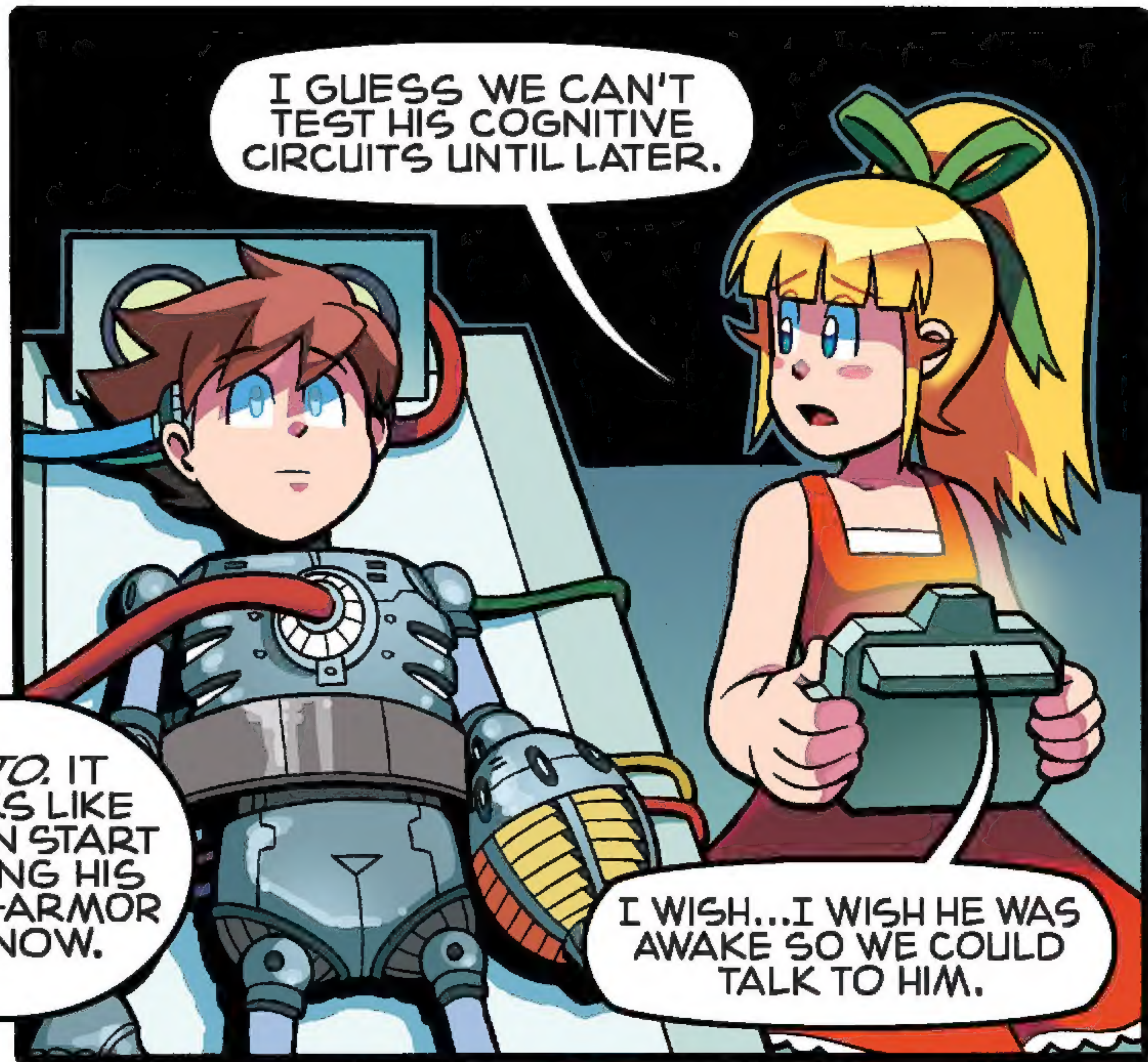
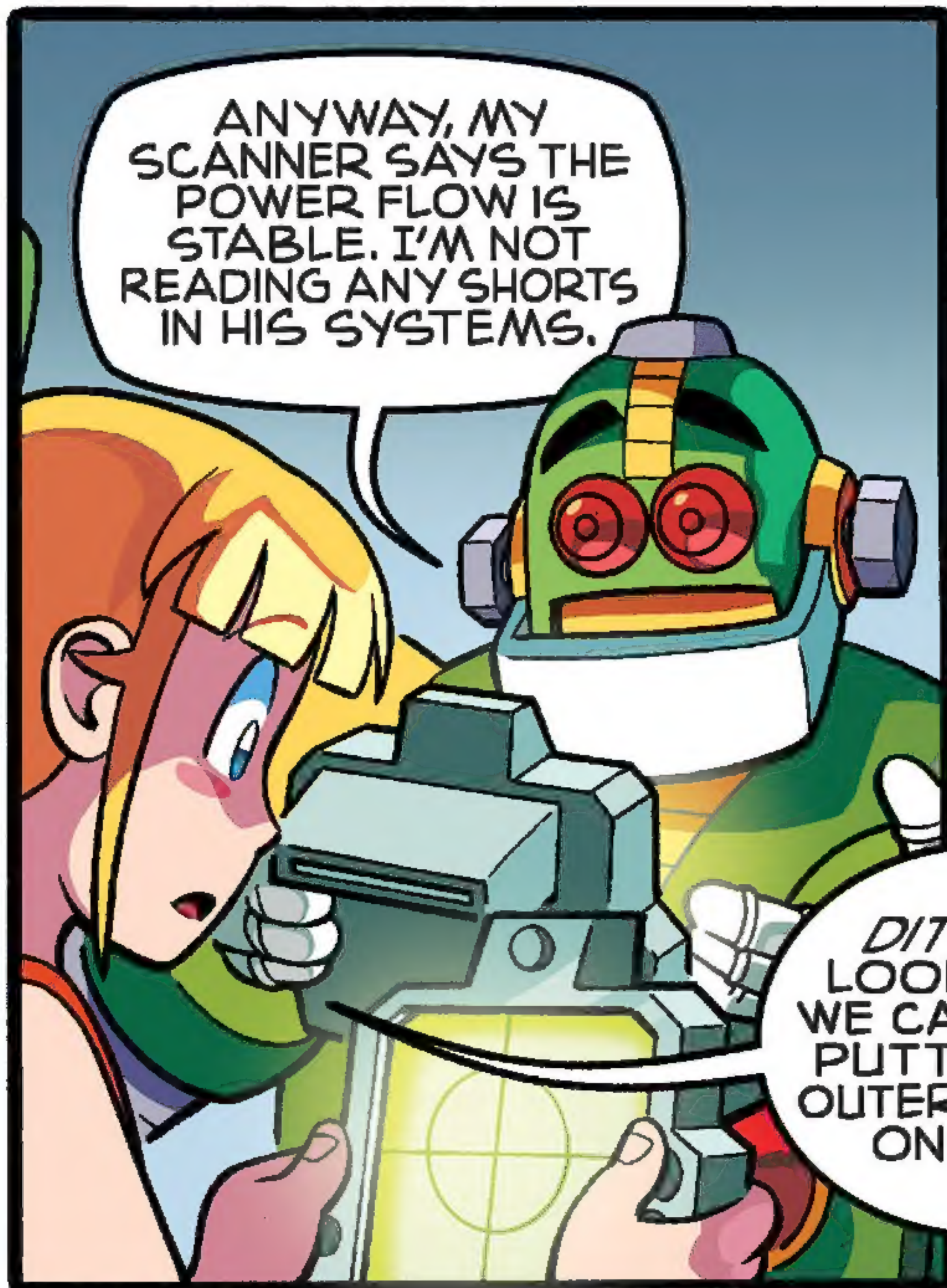
THEN...THEN POOR ROCK WOULDN'T HAVE TO SUFFER...



YEAH, AND THEN *YOU'D* BE THE ONE ON THE TABLE, AND ROCK WOULD BE THE ONE WANTING TO SWITCH PLACES. HE KNOWS YOU'LL KEEP HIM UP AND RUNNING--DON'T FORGET THAT.

I KNOW. JUST... THANKS, AUTO.

*MEGA MAN VOL. 1.





ALL SYSTEMS ARE BOOTING UP. IT WILL TAKE A FEW MINUTES FOR THEM TO COME ONLINE, AND THEN A FEW MORE FOR THEM TO SYNC WITH EACH OTHER.

PROVIDED EVERYTHING WORKS THE FIRST TIME.

LISTEN TO YOU! *WE* DID THE REPAIRS, TOM. HE'LL BE FINE.

WELL, THEN! HERE'S TO ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL PROJECT.

YES.

...THANK YOU, AL. THIS MEANS MORE TO ME THAN YOU KNOW.



YO, DOC?
THE
FEDERAL
AGENTS
ARE
HERE.

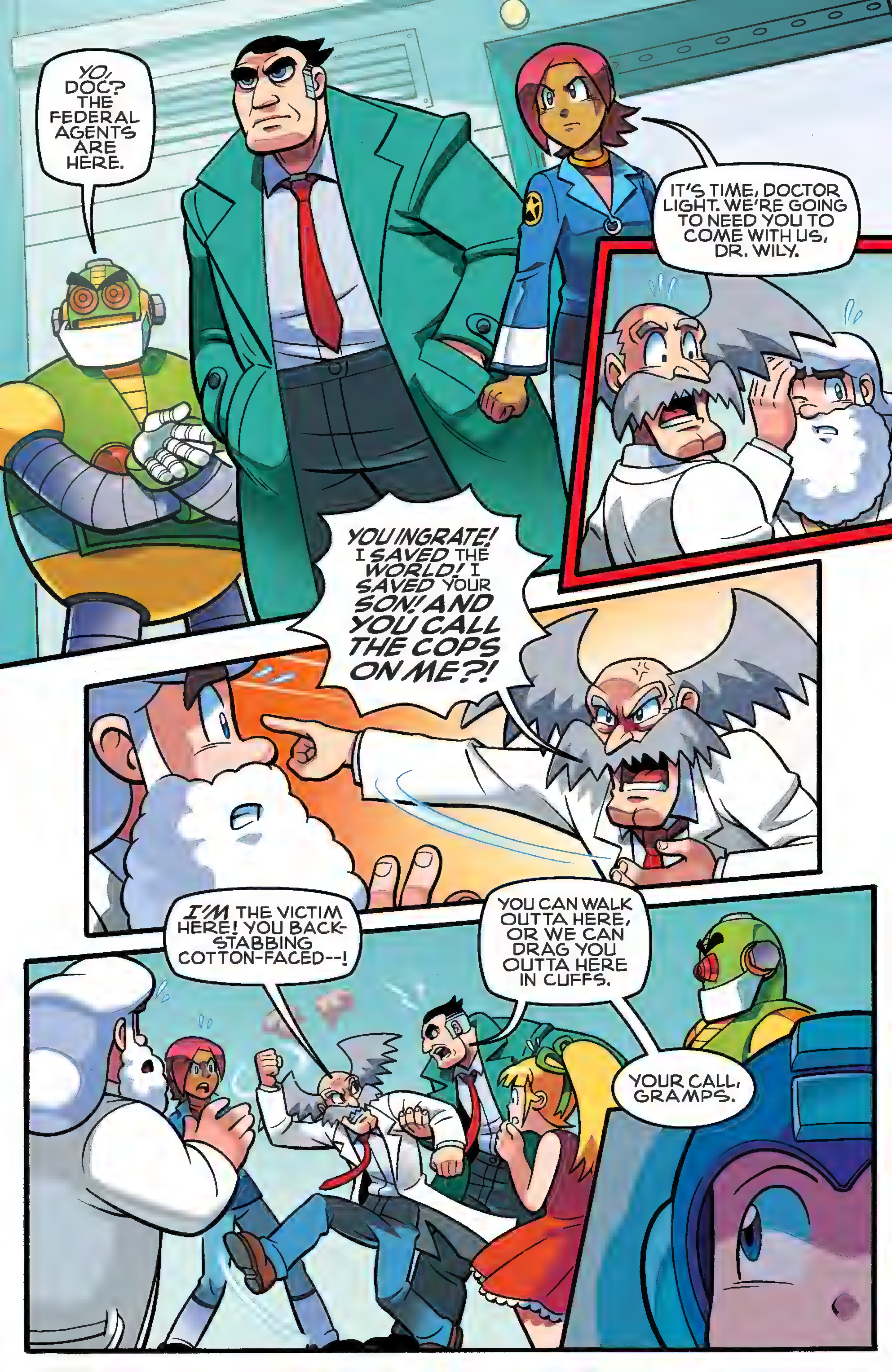
IT'S TIME, DOCTOR
LIGHT. WE'RE GOING
TO NEED YOU TO
COME WITH US,
DR. WILY.

**YOU INGRATE!
I SAVED THE
WORLD! I
SAVED YOUR
SON! AND
YOU CALL
THE COPS
ON ME?!**

**I'M THE VICTIM
HERE! YOU BACK-
STABBING
COTTON-FACED--!**

YOU CAN WALK
OUTTA HERE,
OR WE CAN
DRAG YOU
OUTTA HERE
IN CLIFFS.

YOUR CALL,
GRAMPS.



ALBERT--
PLEASE!--
LISTEN TO ME!
EVEN IF IT WAS
UNDER THE INFLU-
ENCE OF THIS "RA
MOON" THING, YOU
TRIED TO TAKE OVER
MEGA CITY, THEN
THREATENED TO
DESTROY IT!
YOU ESCAPED
FROM FEDERAL
PRISON! BY KEEPING
YOU HERE, I'M ABET-
TING A FELON!

I SEE HOW IT IS! YOU
KEEP ME AROUND TO
FIX MEGA MAN, THEN TOSS
ME AWAY WHEN ALL THE
HARD WORK'S DONE.

GIVE IT A REST,
YA CRACKPOT!

WE'VE BEEN
"BUSY"
UNTIL YOU
FINISHED
WITH MEGA
MAN.

WE'VE KNOWN YOU'VE
BEEN HERE FOR *DAYS*.
DOC LIGHT IS THE
ONLY REASON WE
DIDN'T LOCK YOU UP
ALREADY.

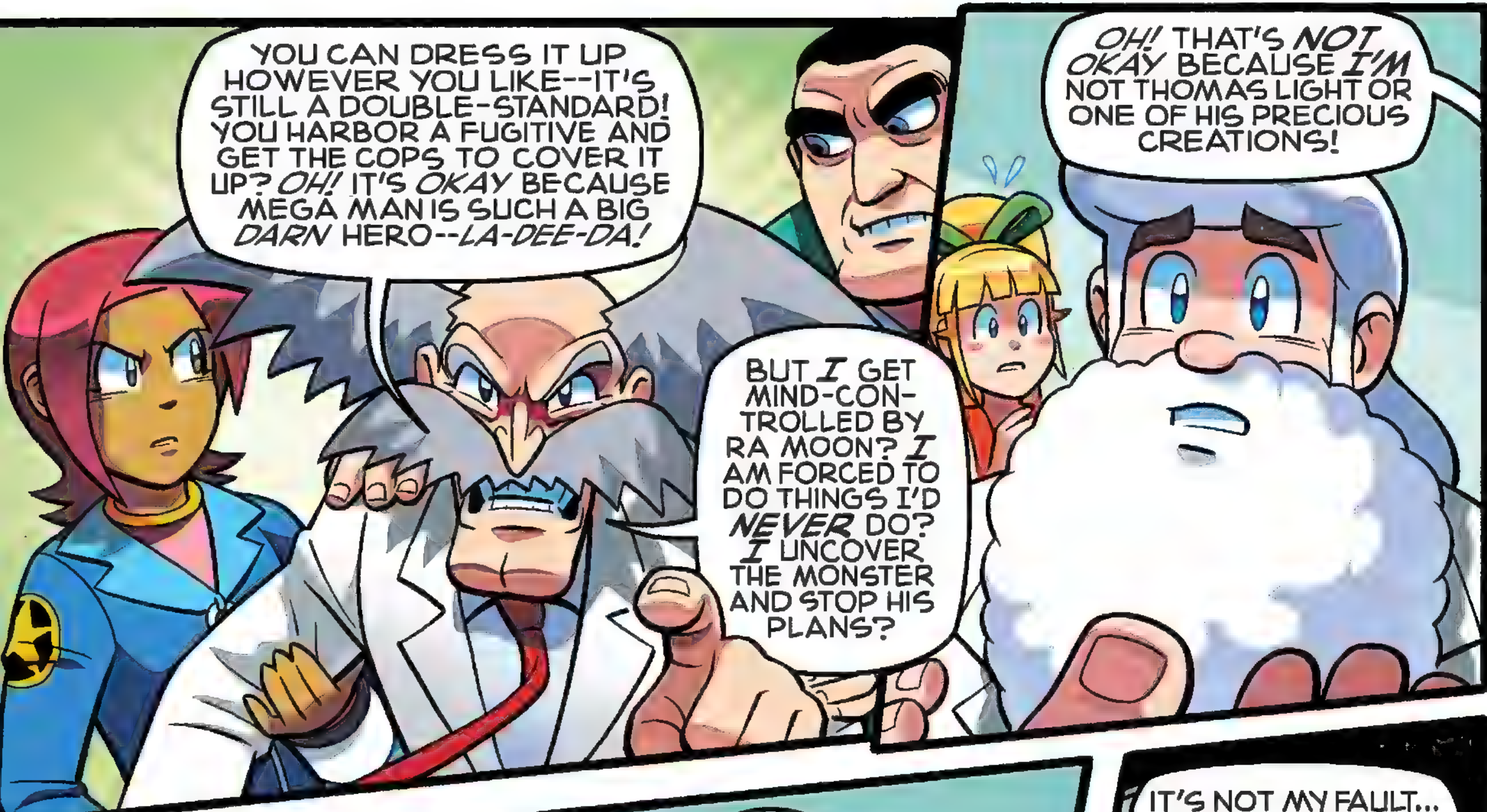
THE MESS
MADE BY
GLOBAL
BLACKOUT
MAKES
FUDGING
THE PAPER-
WORK
EASIER...

OW!
WH-
WHAT
?

...BUT
WE'VE ALL
PUT OUR
NECKS ON
THE LINE
FOR YOU ON
THIS ONE.

...REALLY?

THE AGENTS HAVE BENT THE
LAW TO THE BREAKING POINT,
AND *ONLY* ON THE GOOD
GRACES AFFORDED TO ME
BY MEGA MAN'S HEROISM.
I'M SORRY, BUT I CAN'T ASK
THEM TO RISK THEIR CAREERS
ANY FURTHER.



YOU CAN DRESS IT UP HOWEVER YOU LIKE--IT'S STILL A DOUBLE-STANDARD! YOU HARBOR A FUGITIVE AND GET THE COPS TO COVER IT UP? OH! IT'S OKAY BECAUSE MEGA MAN IS SUCH A BIG DARN HERO--LA-DEE-DA!

OH! THAT'S NOT OKAY BECAUSE I'M NOT THOMAS LIGHT OR ONE OF HIS PRECIOUS CREATIONS!

BUT I GET MIND-CONTROLLED BY RA MOON? I AM FORCED TO DO THINGS I'D NEVER DO? I UNCOVER THE MONSTER AND STOP HIS PLANS?



I'M DOING EVERYTHING I CAN FOR YOU! I'LL PAY YOUR BAIL! I'LL NEGOTIATE FOR YOU TO STAY HERE UNDER HOUSE ARREST!

GIVE IT A REST!

I'M TIRED OF YOUR LIES!

WE DONE HERE? GOOD, CAN'T WAIT TO SEE THE JUDGE'S FACE WHEN WE TELL 'IM ABOUT YOUR CRAZY ANCIENT-MAGIC TEMPLE-ADVENTURE.



IT'S NOT MY FAULT... NOBODY BELIEVES ME...

I FOUGHT TO SAVE EVERYONE... WHO'S GOING TO FIGHT TO SAVE ME?



WAIT!

A-AGENTS...W-WAIT.
PLEASE. I CAN V-
VOUCH FOR DOCTOR
WILY.

EASY,
ROCK!

WE SHOULD
MAKE SURE
EVERYTHING
IS WORKING
RIGHT
BEFORE...

**MEGA
MAN!**

I'VE BEEN
QUIET FOR TOO
LONG. I **NEED**
TO SAY THIS.

I DON'T KNOW
EVERYTHING THAT
HAPPENED IN THE
AMAZON. BUT I DO
KNOW THIS--RA
MOON WAS **REAL**,
AND DR. WILY **WAS**
FIGHTING IT. HE
REALLY DID HELP
ME SAVE THE WORLD.

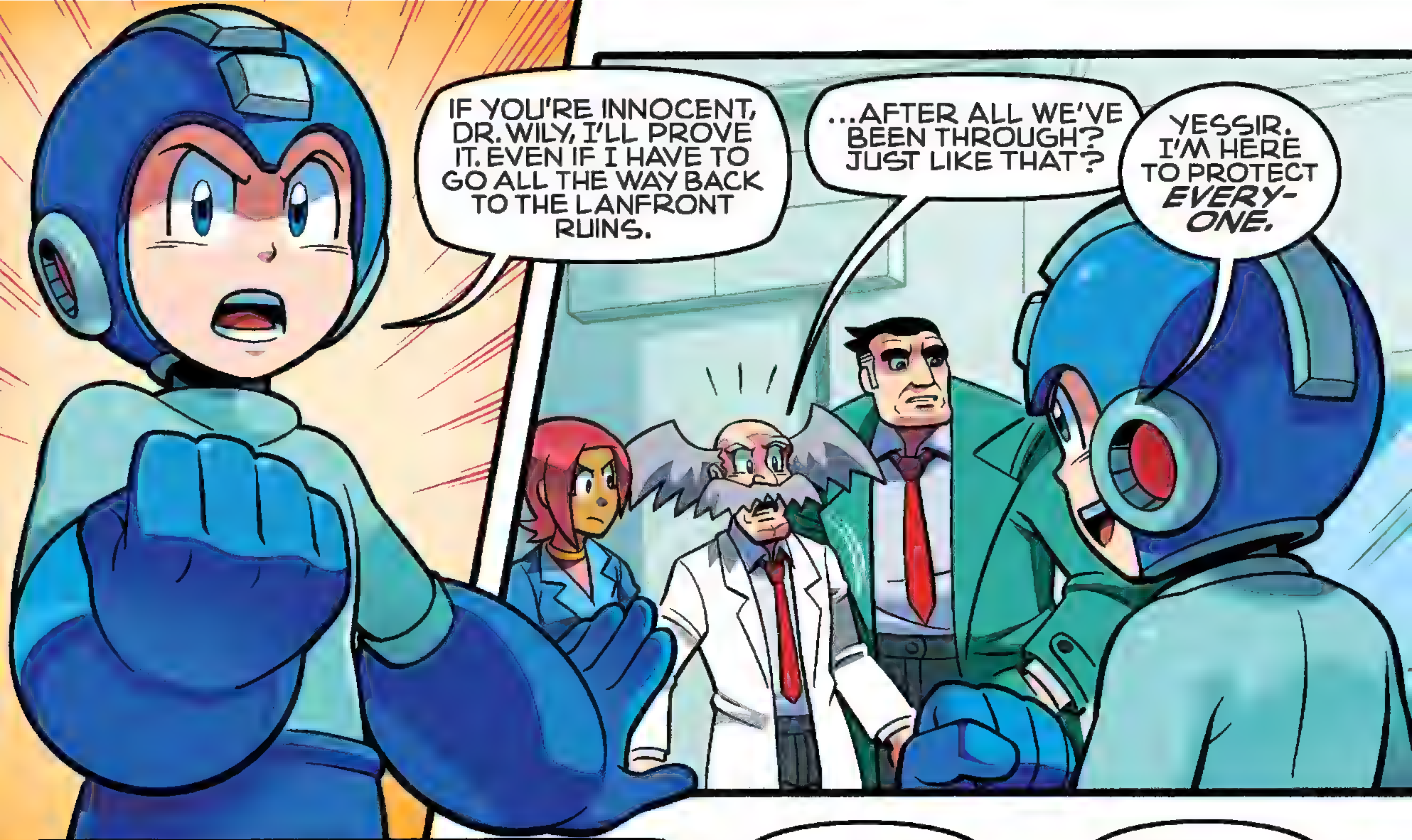
SO...YOU'RE
SAYING HIS
CRAZY STORY IS
LEGIT?

WHY CAN'T
IT EVER BE
SIMPLE WITH
YOU PEOPLE
...?

I DON'T KNOW IF THE
COURT WILL TAKE HIS
TESTIMONY, WHAT IF
DR. WILY PROGRAMMED
ALL THESE MEMORIES
INTO MEGA MAN?

HE TRIED SOMETHING
LIKE THAT ONCE
BEFORE.* I MADE
SURE IT COULDN'T
HAPPEN AGAIN. PLUS,
WITH THE RECENT
BLACKOUT'S EFFECTS,
AND THE TIME BETWEEN
ITS END AND HIS ARRIVAL
ON MY DOORSTEP,
ALBERT WOULDN'T
HAVE HAD THE MEANS
NOR THE TIME.

* MEGA MAN VOL. 3.



IF YOU'RE INNOCENT, DR. WILY, I'LL PROVE IT. EVEN IF I HAVE TO GO ALL THE WAY BACK TO THE LANFRONT RUINS.

...AFTER ALL WE'VE BEEN THROUGH? JUST LIKE THAT?

YESSIR. I'M HERE TO PROTECT EVERYONE.



...THANK YOU, MEGA MAN. I DON'T SUPPOSE YOU'D PROTECT ME FROM THE AGENTS RIGHT NOW?

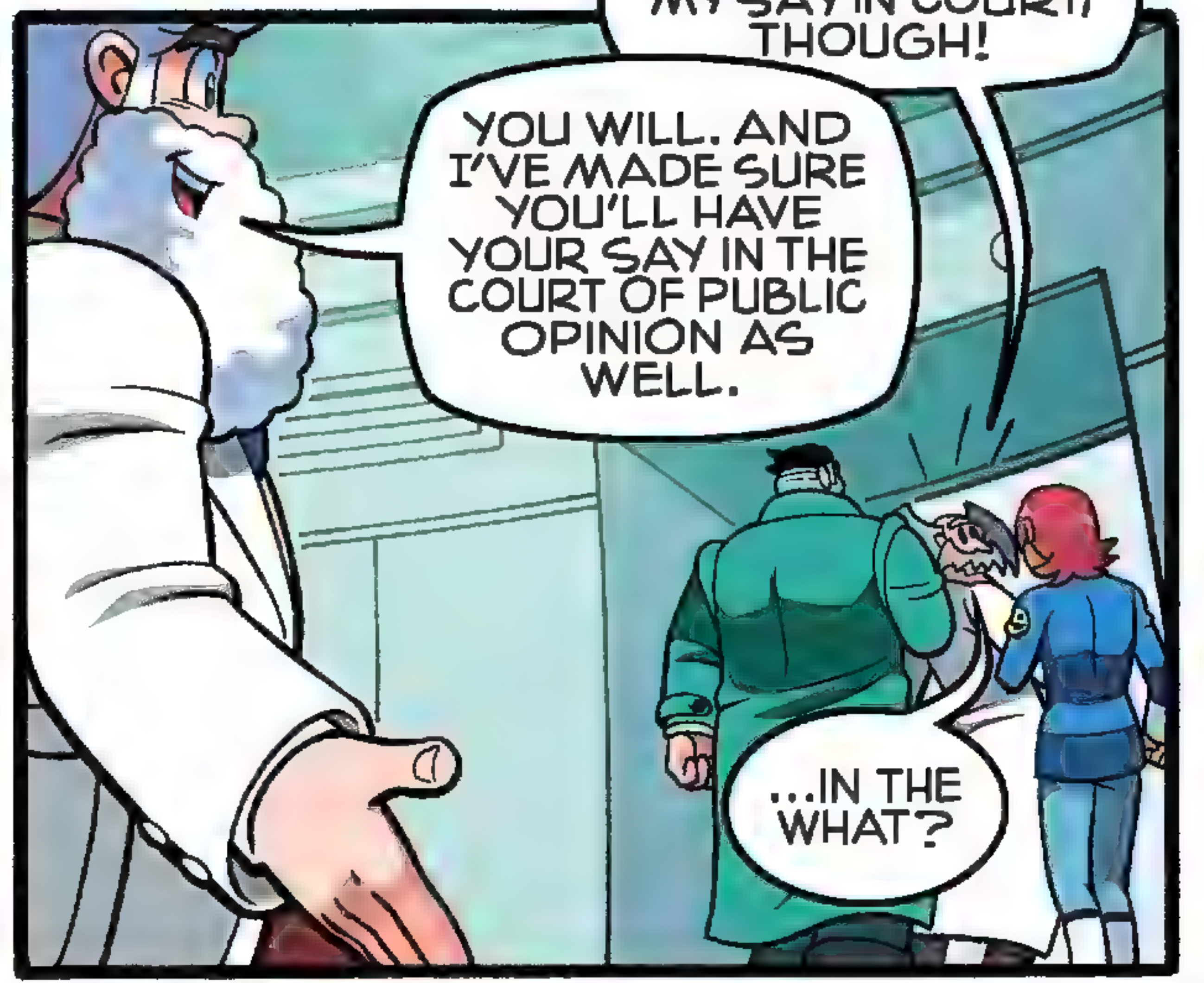
NICE TRY.

DON'T GET CLUTE, DOCTOR.



HANG IN THERE, AL. I'M SORRY IT HAS TO BE THIS WAY, BUT I'LL DO EVERYTHING I CAN TO HELP YOU.

HMPH, YES, WELL, MAYBE ONE DAY WE CAN LOOK BACK ON THIS AND LAUGH ABOUT IT, TOM.



I BETTER HAVE MY SAY IN COURT, THOUGH!

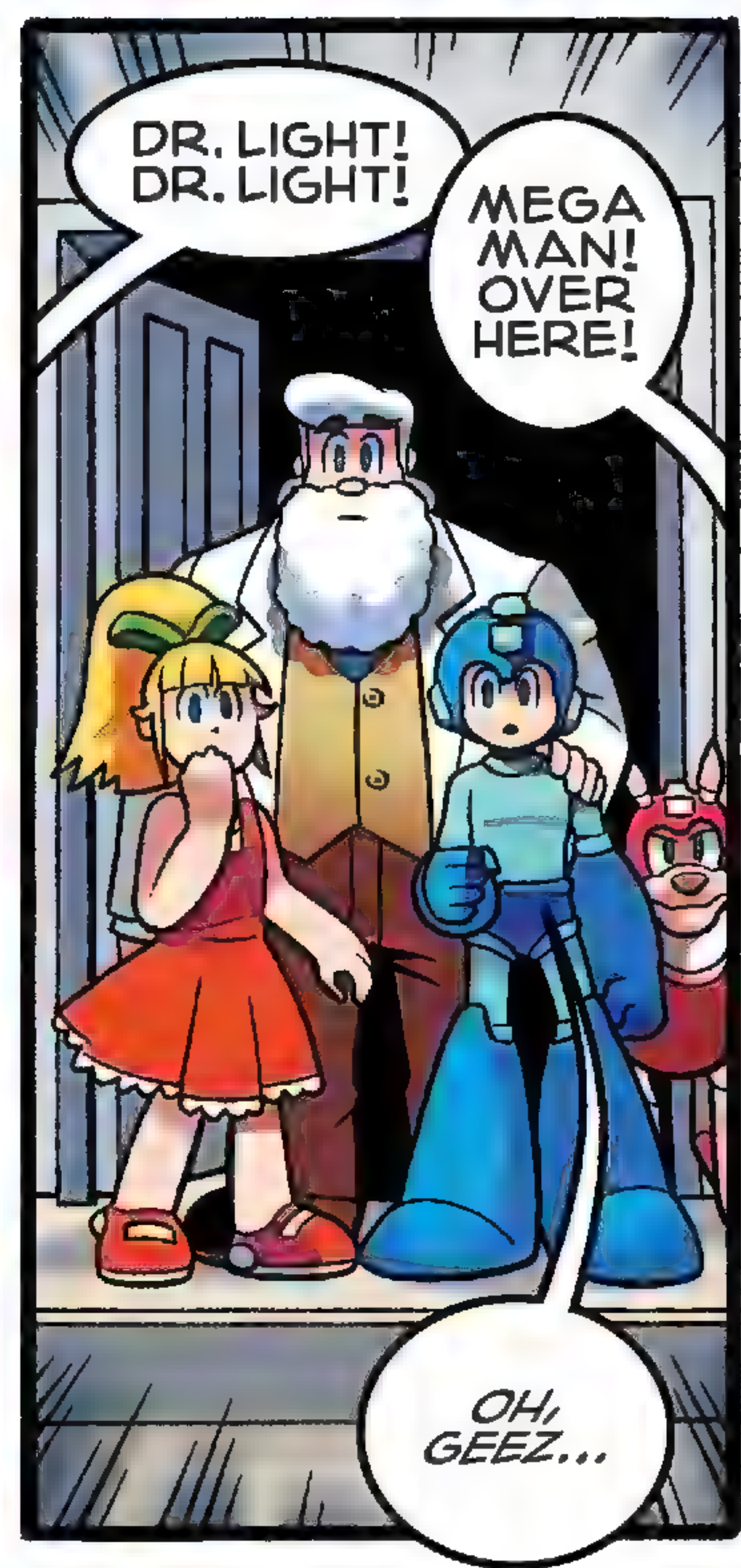
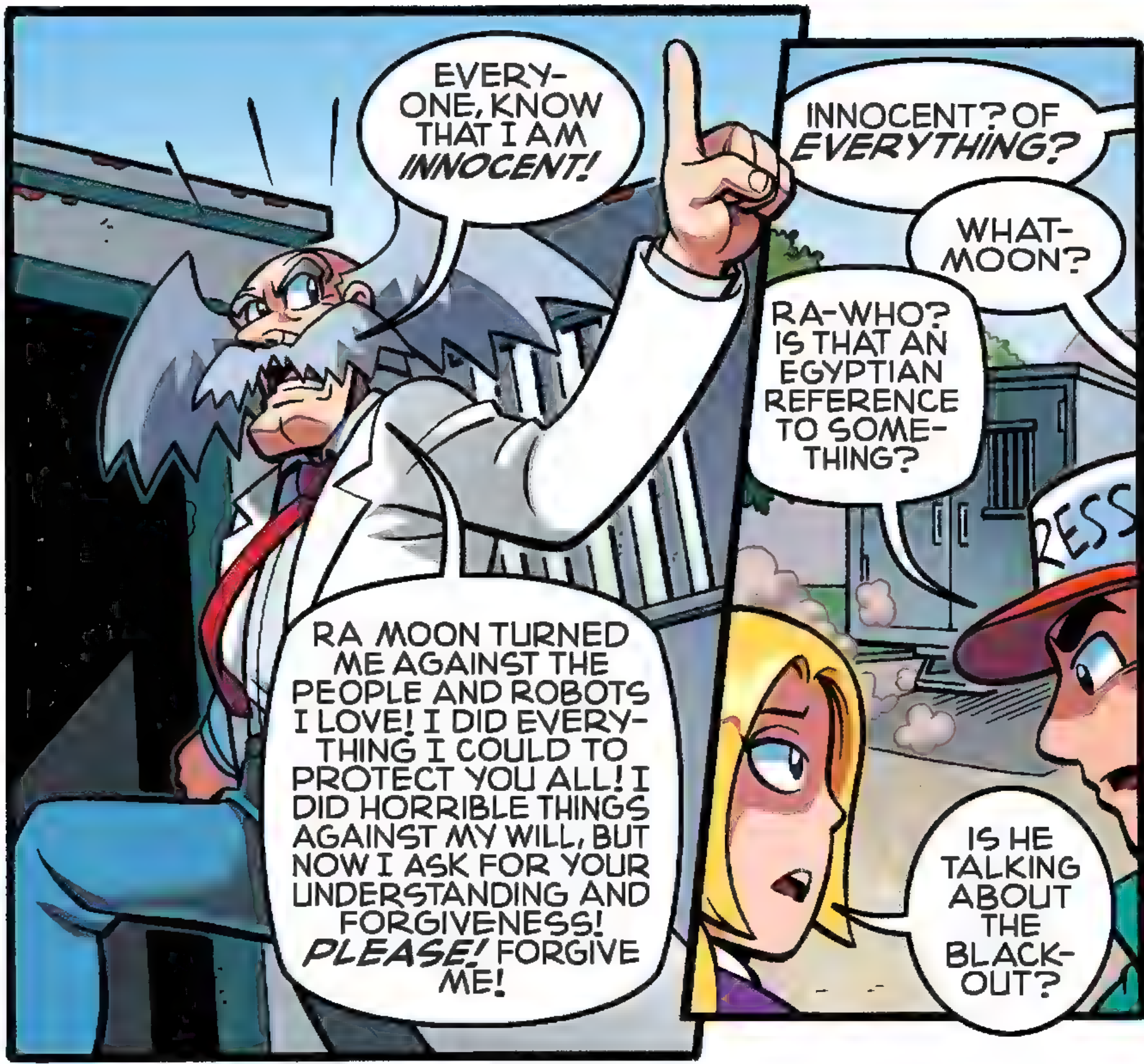
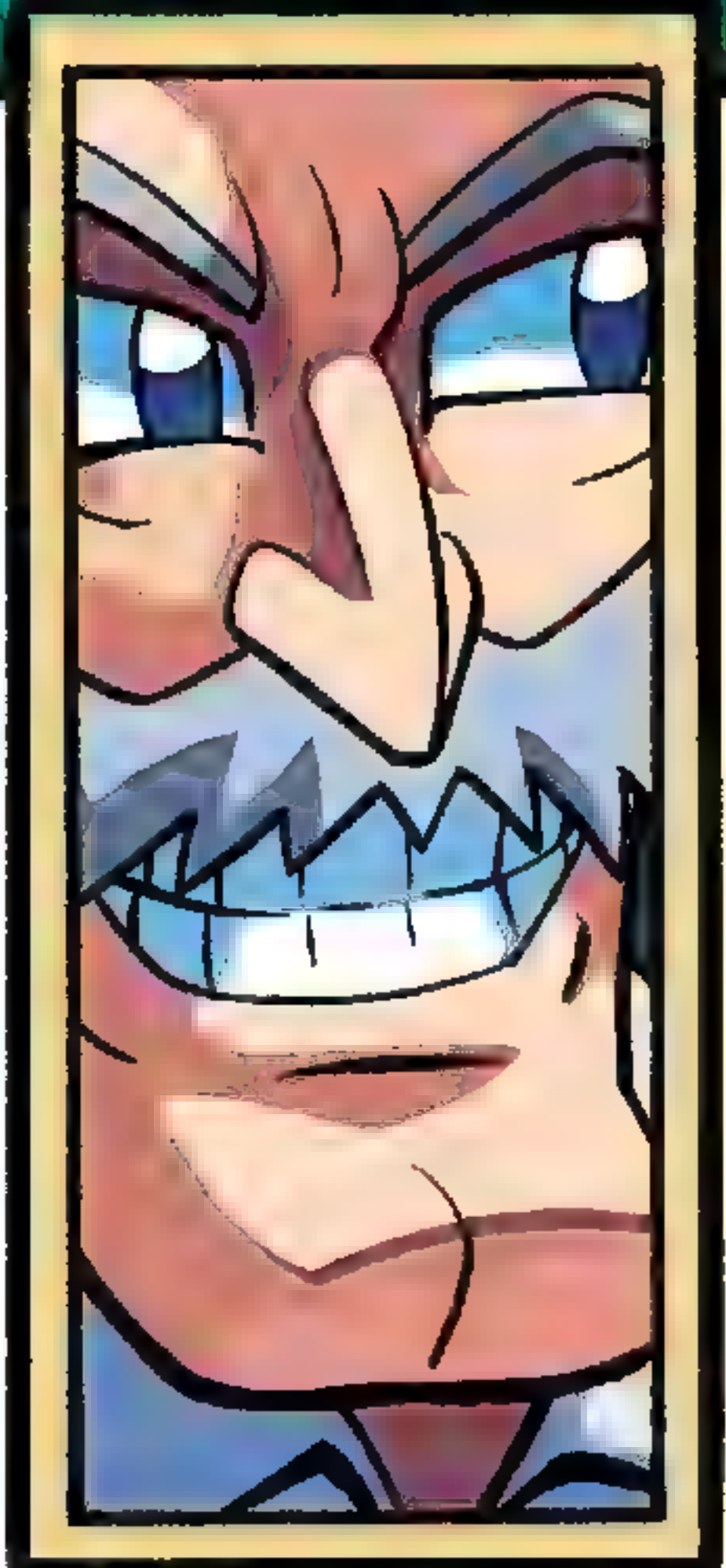
YOU WILL. AND I'VE MADE SURE YOU'LL HAVE YOUR SAY IN THE COURT OF PUBLIC OPINION AS WELL.

...IN THE WHAT?



BREAKING NEWS!

33 **DR. WILY RECAPTURED!**
Federal Agents Find Mad Doctor Hiding in Light Labs



EVERYONE? EVERYONE-- PLEASE! (OH, I HATE THESE SPEECHES!)

I'LL SAY THIS, AND THEN ASK THAT MY FAMILY BE RESPECTFULLY GIVEN SOME MUCH-NEEDED PEACE.

I DON'T HAVE MANY OF THE ANSWERS THAT YOU'RE SEEKING. I WILL SAY I THOUGHT DR. WILY'S ATTACKS WERE OUT OF CHARACTER FOR HIM.

IT IS UP TO THE COURTS TO DECIDE HIS FATE, AND I WILL SEE TO IT THAT ALL THE FACTS ARE BROUGHT TO LIGHT.

FOR NOW, THOUGH, LET US BE THANKFUL FOR EVERYTHING WE HAVE IN THE WAKE OF THE WORLD-WIDE DISASTER. TO THAT END, I DESPERATELY NEED TO SPEND TIME WITH MY CHILDREN.

GOOD DAY.

JUST ONE MORE QUESTION!

WHAT DO YOU THINK ABOUT--

ANY TRUTH BEHIND--

BUT WHAT ABOUT--

IT'S OVER NOW, SON.

WHAT DO YOU MEAN?

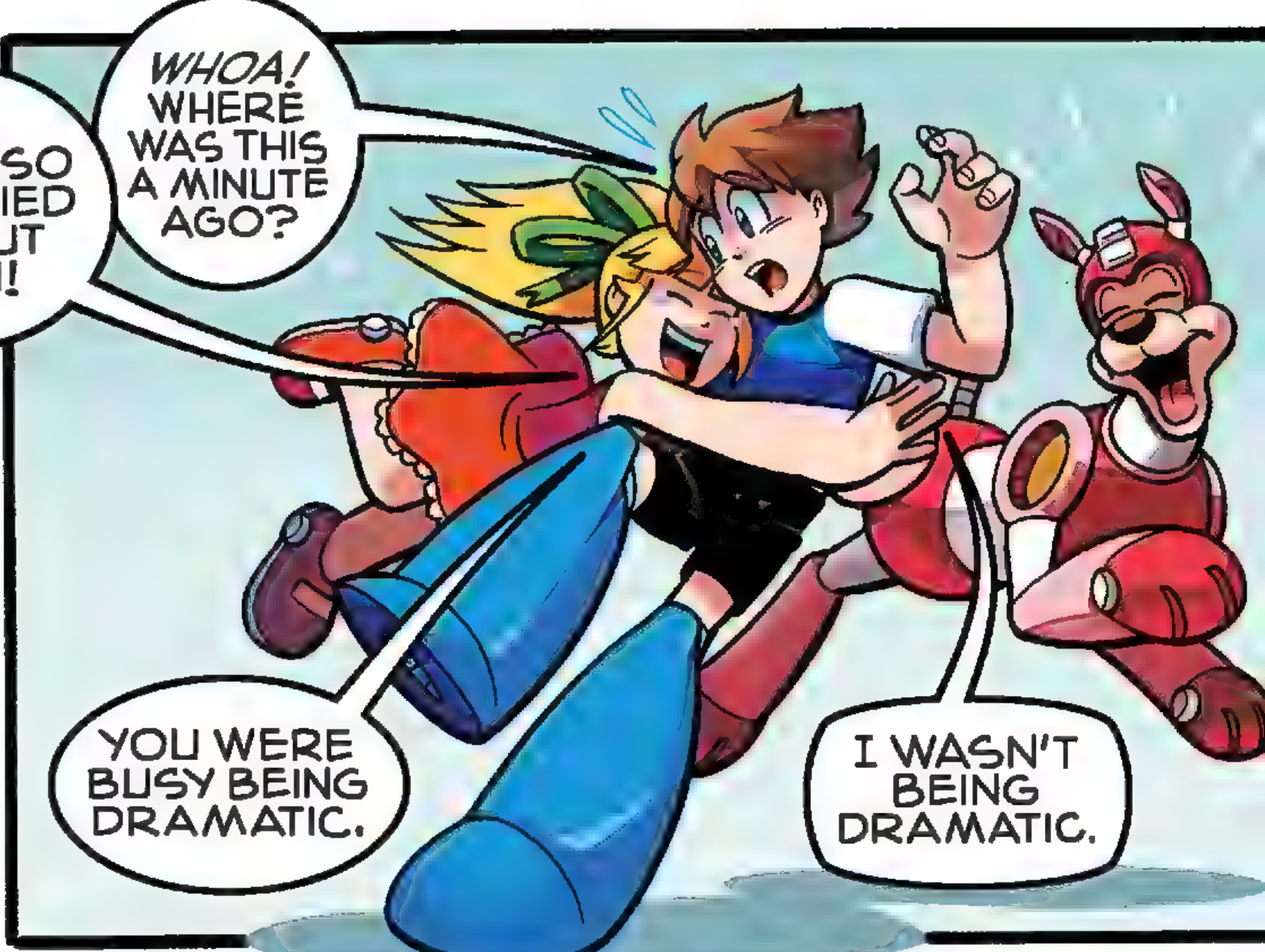
YOU CAN CHANGE OUT OF THE ARMOR. YOU DON'T NEED TO FIGHT ANYMORE.

OH! RIGHT...



WE WERE SO WORRIED ABOUT YOU!

WHOA! WHERE WAS THIS A MINUTE AGO?



YOU WERE BUSY BEING DRAMATIC.

I WASN'T BEING DRAMATIC.



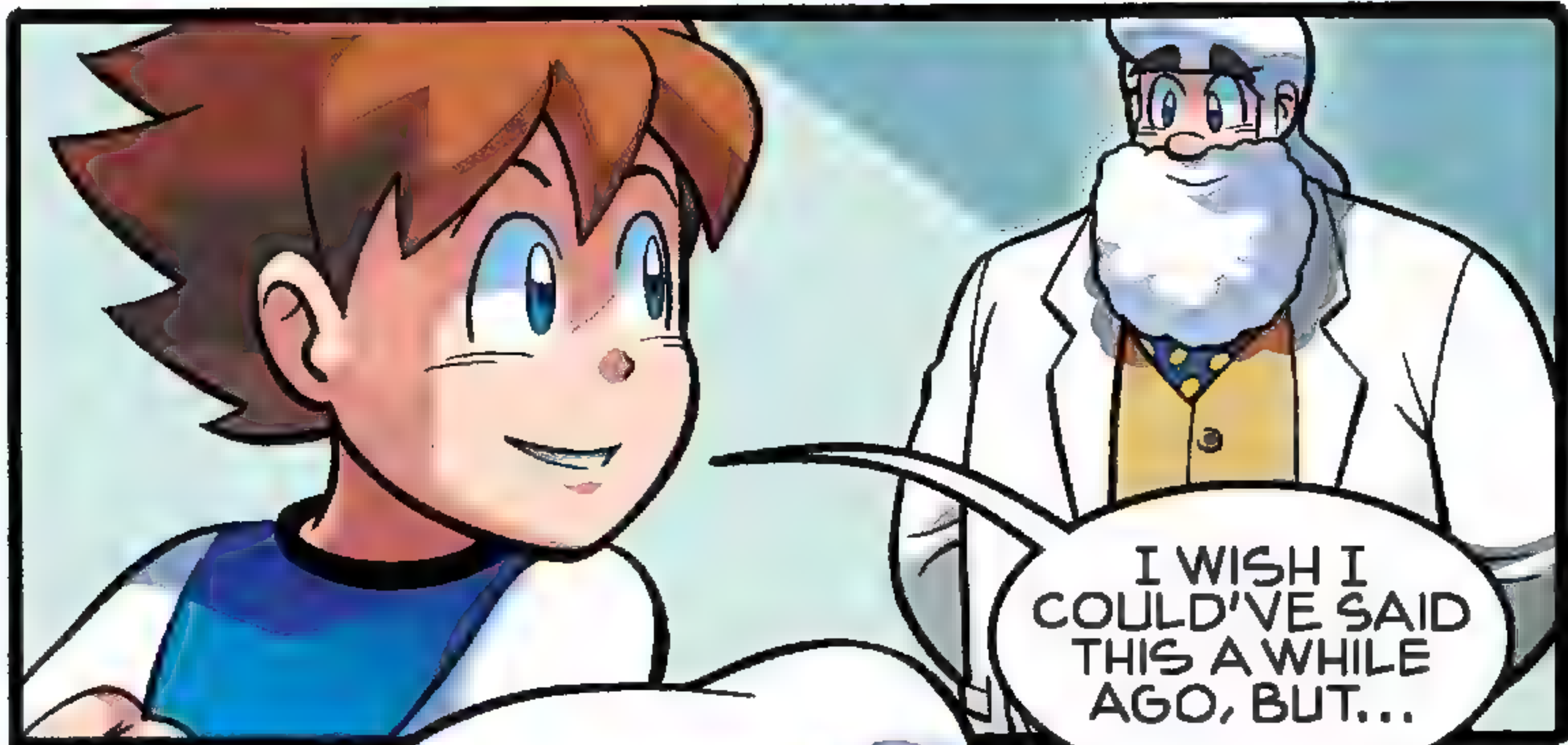
YOU GOT UP *JUST* AS THEY WERE ABOUT TO TAKE DR. WILY AWAY.

...OKAY, SO MAYBE THE TIMING DID WORK OUT TO BE A *LITTLE* DRAMATIC...



THAT'S 'CAUSE MY MAIN MAN DOES EVERYTHING RIGHT!

THANKS, AUTO.



I WISH I COULD'VE SAID THIS A WHILE AGO, BUT...



...Hi, DAD. I'M HOME.

WELCOME HOME, SON. WELCOME HOME.

WHAT ABOUT THE REST OF THE WORLD? DID I STOP RA MOON IN TIME?

YOU DID! WITH THE POWER RESTORED, THE ROBOTS CAME BACK ONLINE. AND THEY DID EXACTLY AS I HOPED THEY WOULD...



"...HELPING TO REBUILD..."



"...HELPING TO REFUEL...."

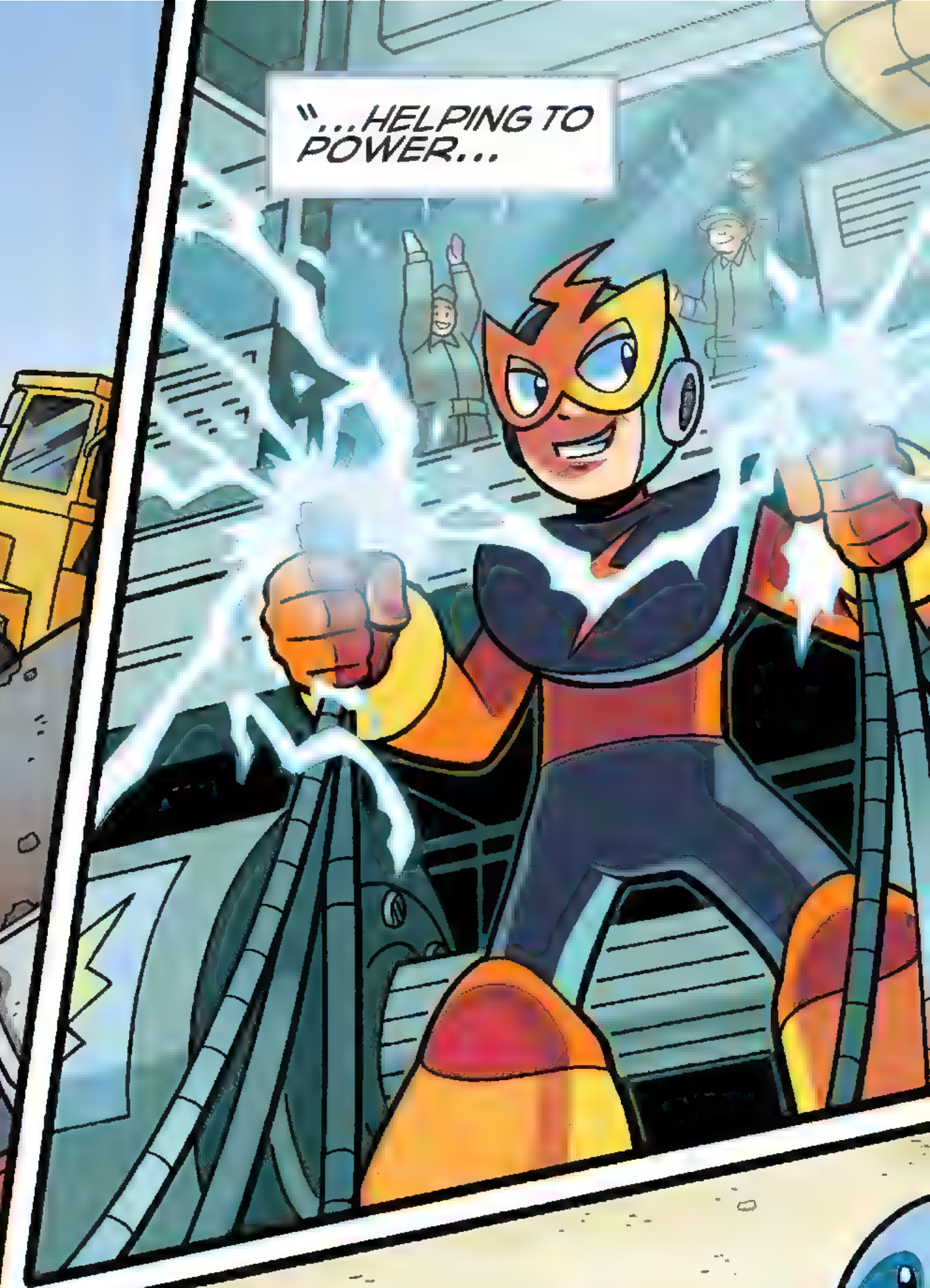
"...HELPING TO RESCUE..."



"...HELPING TO CLEAN..."



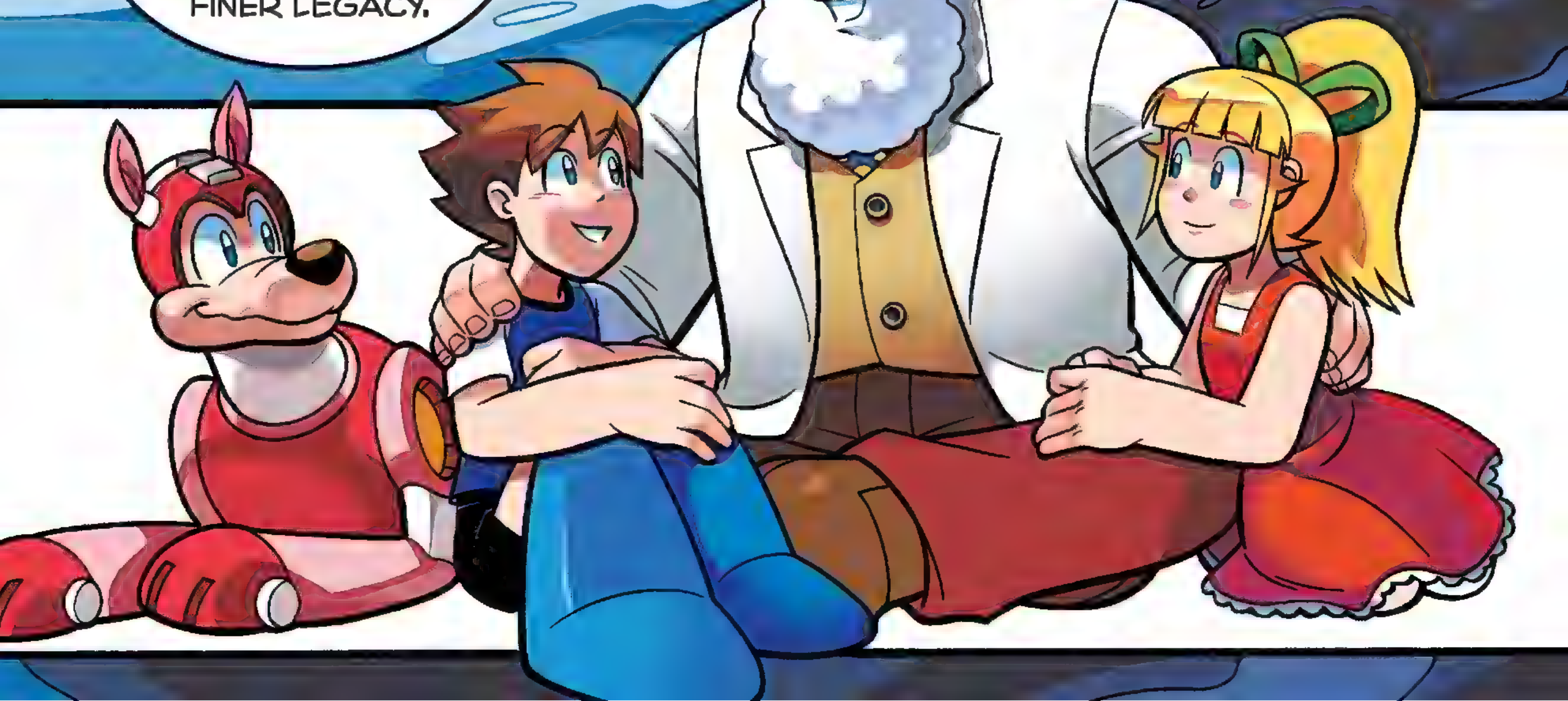
"...HELPING TO POWER..."



"...AND HELPING TO RESTORE..."



TOGETHER, THE ROBOTS OF THE WORLD HELPED SAVE HUMANITY FROM THE BRINK OF DESTRUCTION. I CAN THINK OF NO FINER LEGACY.





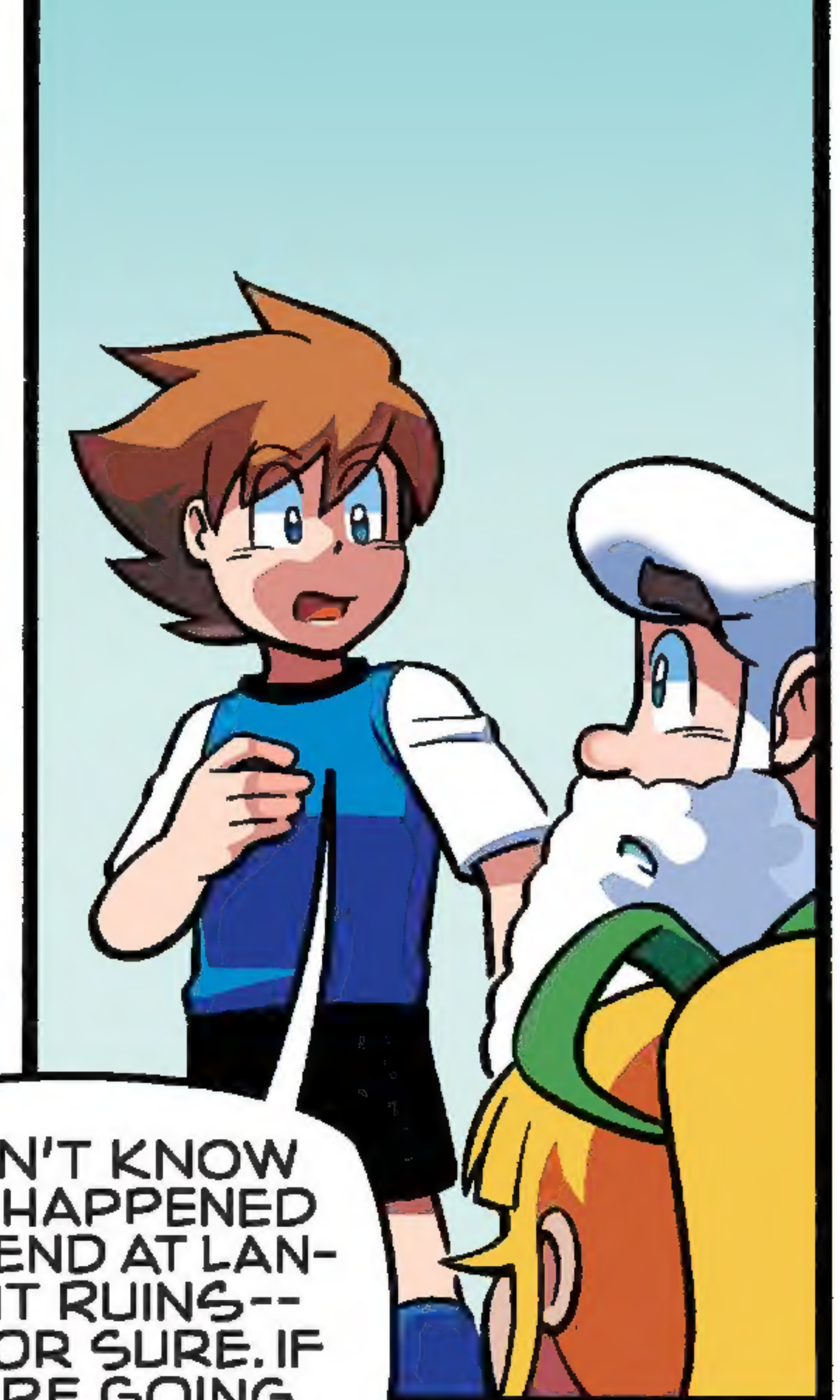
THEN ...IT IS OVER. THE WORLD IS SAFE. WHAT A RELIEF!

YES, BUT... BLUES IS OUT THERE, AND WE DON'T KNOW WHAT HIS DEAL IS. AND THERE'S THE WHOLE THING WITH DR. WILY...



WE'LL DEAL WITH YOUR BROTHER WHEN HE PRESENTS HIMSELF. I'M SURE, GIVEN A CHANCE, WE CAN TALK IT OUT. AS FOR ALBERT, I'LL HANDLE THAT. YOU TWO WILL STAY HERE, SAFE AND SOUND.

NO.



I DON'T KNOW WHAT HAPPENED IN THE END AT LANFRONT RUINS-- NOT FOR SURE. IF YOU'RE GOING BACK, THEN I'M GOING BACK!



LANFRONT RUINS-- THE AMAZON...

THERE HE GOES!

CUT HIM OFF!

BLAM-BLAM!



MEGA MAN IS RETURNING TO THE BATTLE GROUND THAT WAS ALMOST HIS TOMB! BUT WHAT DANGERS REMAIN HIDDEN IN THE RUINS? AND WHAT OF THE WILY ROBOT MASTERS? WHY ARE THEY AT ODDS WITH SHADOW MAN? ALL THIS AND MORE NEXT TIME!

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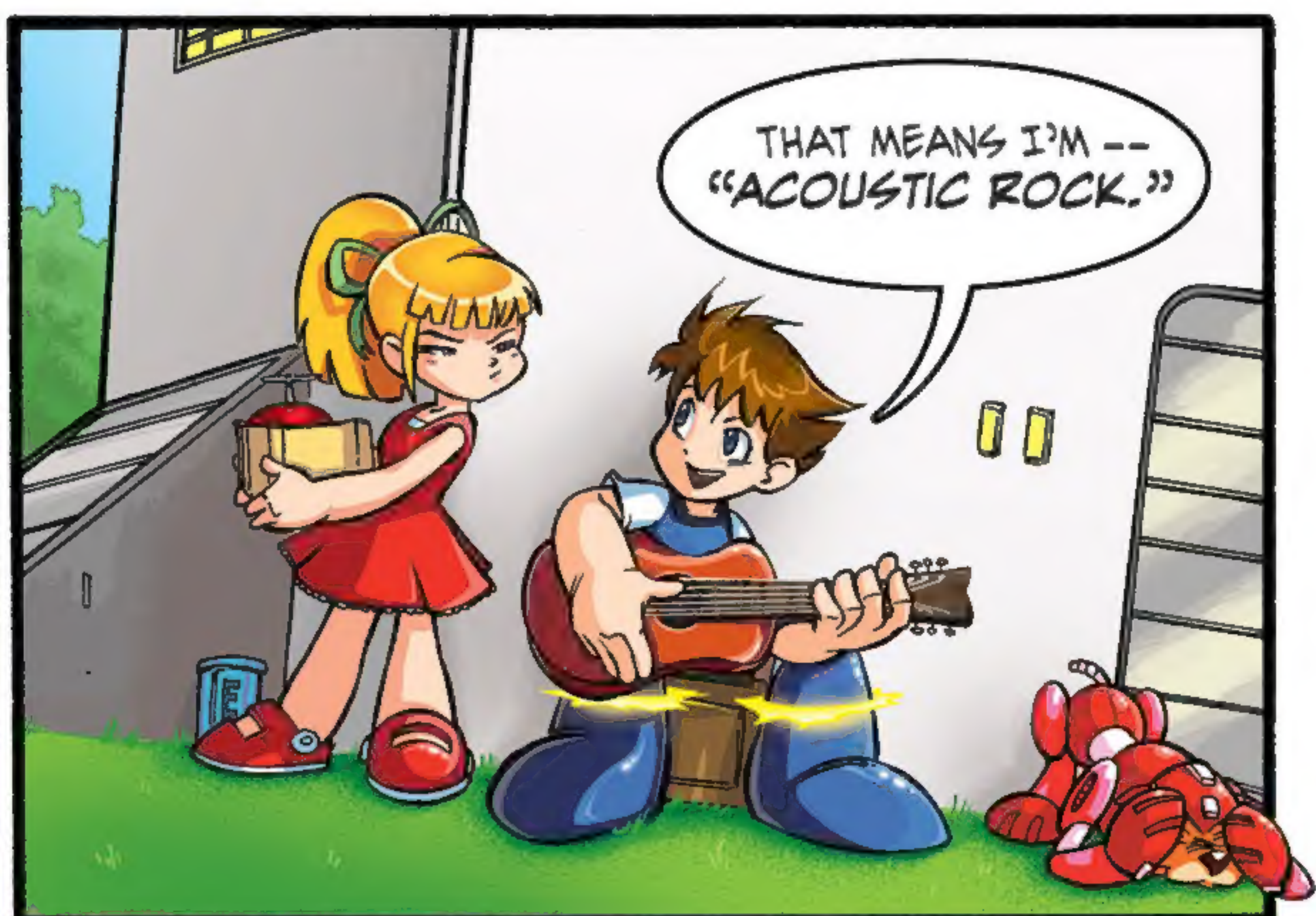
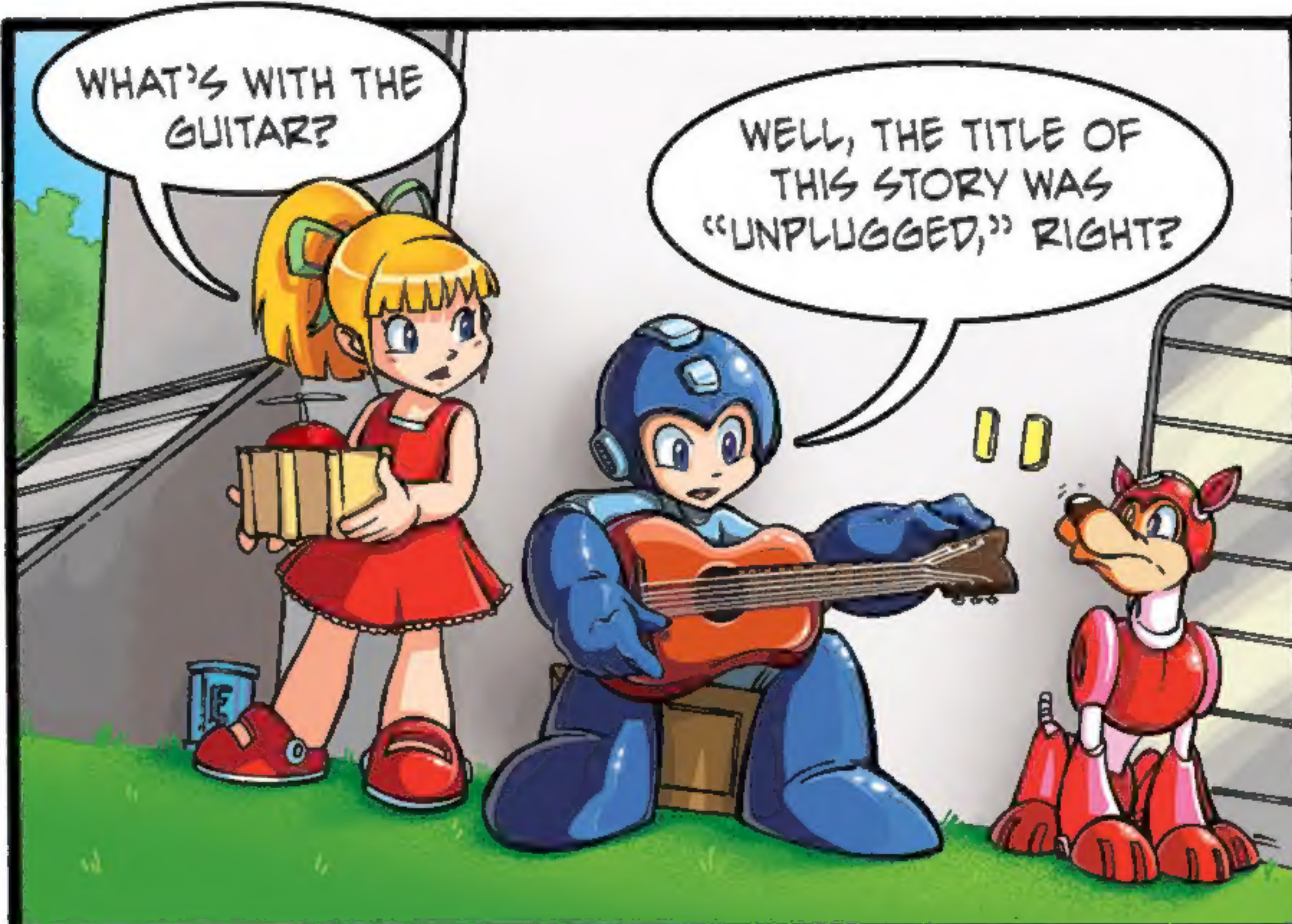
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Dear Mega-Mail,
Hi! My name is Demetrius C. I am an eleven year-old boy who loves your comics.

Hey there Demetrius! We're mega-glad to hear that!

Your best idea by far was the Worlds Collide story of Mega Man and Sonic.

It was pretty cool wasn't it? If any of you folks out there didn't know, the first volume of the Worlds Collide story Demetrius is talking about is currently available now! Check out the coupon in the beginning of this comic to order your copy today! Plugplugplugplugplug!

I look up to all of you guys at the company. When I grow up I would like to join your company.

Your friend,
Demetrius C.
from New York

Thanks, Demetrius! Follow your dreams and we hope to see you here with us someday!

Dear Mega-Mail,
Hey there Cut Man! Could you come and open this letter for me?

Give me one second and I'll teleport your letter to him! Here

comes a letter for you, Cut Man!

-BOO-WIP!

Thanks, sir! This kid is pretty sharp, sending a clean cut guy like me some fan-mail!

I just wanted to tell Cut Man that he deserves some more respect every once in a while.

from,
Nate
from California

Boy, you really know how to make your point! I do deserve a slice of respect every now and then. Thanks for being a cut above the rest! Back to you, assistant editor-sir!

My thanks to you, Cut Man! And thanks for the letter, Nate!

Dear Mega-Mail,
Hello there, I'm a huge fan of your comics, namely the Sonic and Mega Man comics. Now, I have some questions;

One order of the usual!

1. Well, two of my questions have already been answered by you by releasing the Worlds Collide Crossover in a volume format, and making a comic based on Mega Man X. Thanks. But all I ask is that

you don't change Zero's character. Keep him as awesome as he is in the games.

We are super psyched to be visiting the Mega Man X universe! You have no need to worry because we plan on retaining all of the characters' traits as they are, including the embodiment of awesomeness, Zero!

2. Is it possible to make me Zero and Proto Man's no.1 fan-girl? I love them equally.

Sure thing! By the mega-power invested in me, I now dub you Zero and Proto Man's no.1 fan-girl! Come along everyone, E-Tanks on me!

I look forward to your reply.

A loyal reader and fan,
Marissa N. sent to
MegaMan@ArchieComics.com

So long, Marissa! Thanks for being a mega-fan and enjoy your new status!

That's all the room we have! We'll see y'all next time for the first of an all-new two-part story, Shadows of the Moon!

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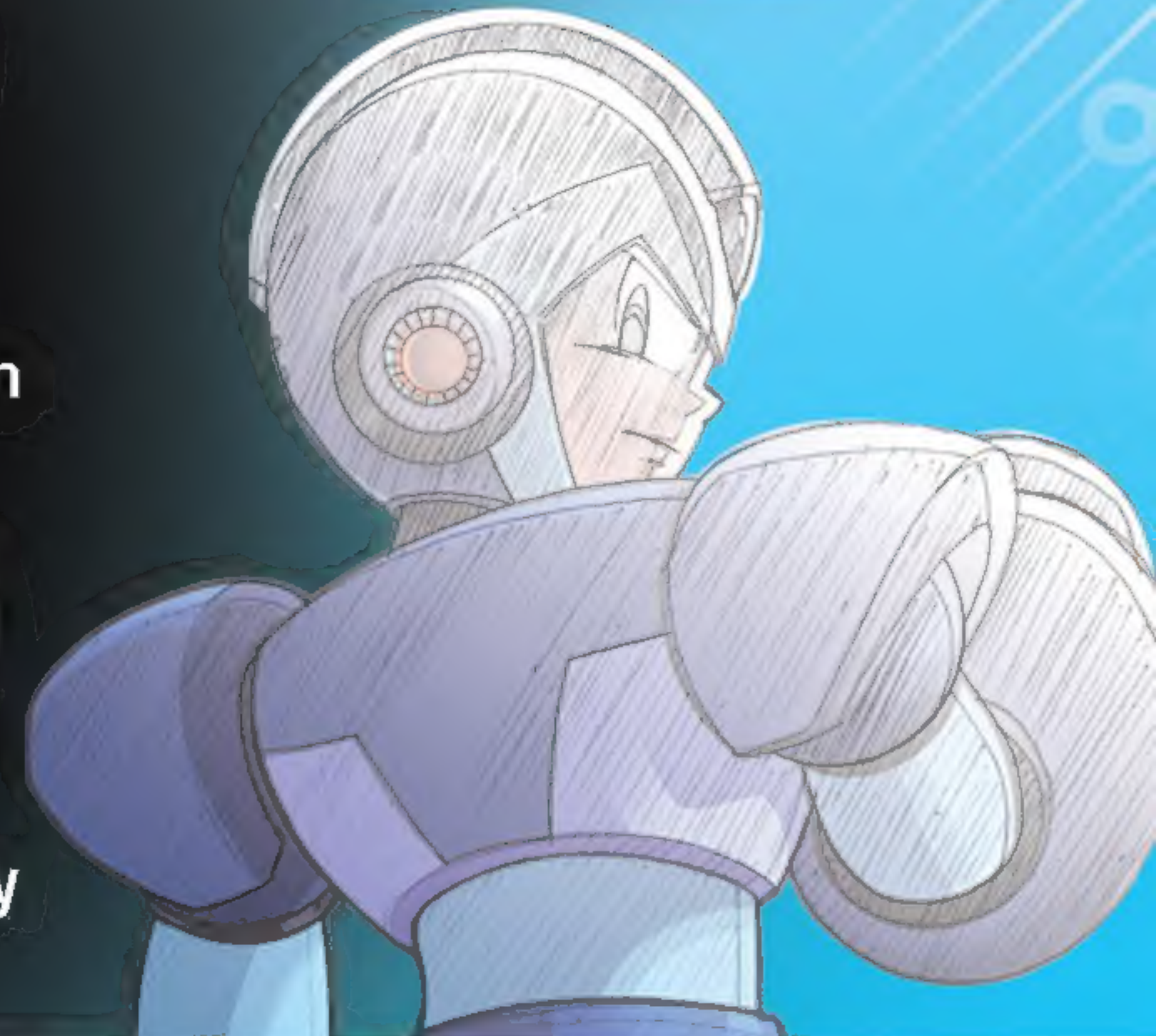


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